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Christmas in Church

St. Mary's Church
Dec. 22, 7:00 p.m., Communal
Penance Service.

Dec. 23, 7:00 p.m., Rite of Pen-
ance for Individuals.

Dec. 24, 10:00 a.m., Rite of Pen-
ance for Individuals.

Dec. 24, 8:00 p.m., Vigil
Mass with Christmas Pageant

with children of grades 1-4.
Trisha Duley and Youth Gui-
dants, musicians, 11:30 p.m.,
Christmas Concert.

Dec. 25, 12:00 Midnight, Mid-
night Mass, solemn celebra-
tion of the Nativity.

Dec. 25, 8:30 a.m., Mass at Dawn on Christmas
Day. Shannon McNamara, or-
ganist, 10:30 a.m., Third
Mass of Christmas. Lillian
Baldes & Nancy Hoffman, or-
ganists, and Adult Choir.

St. John Lutheran Church
Dec. 23, Youth Group Caroling.
Dec. 24, 6:30, Christmas Eve
Service.

Calvary Baptist
Christmas Day and New Year's
Day, regular Services.

Michelson Memorial Church
Dec. 24, 7:30, Candlelight Ser-
vice. Sermon: Daybreak Text:
Luke 2:9A.

Dec. 25, 8:30 & 11:00, Regular
Services. No Church School.

Mt. Hope Lutheran
Dec. 24, 8:00 p.m., Christmas
Eve Candlelight Service.

Dec. 25, 11:00 a.m., Service.

Dec. 31, 8:00 p.m., New Year's
Eve Communion Service.

Jan. 1, 11:00 a.m., New Year's
Day Service.

Grayling Assembly of God
Dec. 22, 7:00 p.m., Christmas
Caroling.

Dec. 25, Regular Service.

Dec. 31, 9:00 p.m., Special
Speaker: Dave Pace. Slides
on the Holy Land.

Jan. 1, 11:00 a.m., Regular Service.
Dave Pace, speaker.

St. Francis Episcopal Church
Dec. 21, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday
Choral Evensong.

Dec. 24, 7:30 p.m., Saturday
Christmas Eucharist.

Dec. 25, 11:15 a.m., Sunday
Christmas Eucharist.

Dec. 27, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday
Home Communion.

Dec. 31, 7:30 p.m., Saturday
New Year's Eucharist.

Jan. 1, 11:15 a.m., Sunday
New Year's Eucharist.

*Please note the time changes
in Sunday Services for Christ-
mas and New Year's.

For information call 348-6850,
348-5000 or 348-5731.

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Merry Christmas



When we count our blessings at Christmas time
we think of friends like you and wish you a
beautiful holiday in a beautiful world.

The Avalanche Staff

Cagers Take Holiday Break

Vike Cagers Spirit Still High Despite Two Last Week Losses

by Joe Schrader

Despite two cage losses last week, spirit on the Vike coaching staff and cage squads remains high. The Vikes lost a 68-53 road contest to Roscommon Tuesday night, then traveled north to Rogers City Friday only to come home on the short end of a 62-44 score.

"We're just not shooting well," remarked Head Coach Fred Wolcott after the losses. "We only hit on 11 of 30 free throws against Roscommon and only shot 29% from the floor." Grayling hosted the Petoskey Northern Tuesday in a conference encounter, then takes its usual Holiday breather before returning to action against

Kalkaska on January 3rd.

Despite our record, the boys are still trying hard, they're hanging right in there and it's just a matter of regaining our confidence now," concluded Wolcott. The JV squad also dropped its two preliminary contests last week, first to the Bucks, 76-49, then to the Hurons, 50-33.

Against Roscommon, they hit on only 21 of 66 field goal attempts, fell behind 36-26 at halftime, and ended up 15 points behind at the final buzzer. Geoff Stancil topped the Vike scoring with 22 points on ten field goals and two free throws. Rocky Tobin tossed in 12 points, Dean Smith added 8, Jeff Parkinson 4, Randy McClain and Tom Kaiser, 3 each, Dan Niederer, 1. Johoske led the Buck scoring with 14 points.

In their MHS conference clash at Rogers City, a scoring drought in the first and third quarters spelled doom for the Vikes. Trailing 30-22 at halftime, Grayling could only hit for six points in the third stanza while the Hurons poured in 23.

The Vikes came to life with 16 points the last quarter but by then it was too late and the score wound up 62-44. Tim Krey led the Vike scoring with 12 points, Stancil hit double figures with 10, Parkinson added 8.

[See Basketball on page 10]

**Schools Close
For Christmas**

All schools in the Crawford - AuSable School District will close at Noon on Friday, December 23rd for Christmas vacation. Classes will resume at their regular time on Tuesday, January 3, 1978.

Crawford County Public Transit "Holiday Schedule"

Sorry, so that our employees can fully enjoy the Holiday Season, there will be no bus service on either Christmas Day or New Year's Day.

Chester Johnston
Manager, C. C. P. T.

Vike Grapplers Place 2nd in Holiday Invitational

by Mary Allen

The "Holiday Invitational" held at Charlevoix on Dec. 17th, was the largest Class C & D wrestling tournament to be held

this season. Grayling was represented by 15 mat men among the over 200 wrestlers from 15 other schools.

As usual, the Vikings superior training by coaches Don Ferguson and Neil Byce brought results in the form of medals and honors. First place medals went to 105# Burt Partello and 126# Chuck Golinick. Second place medals went to 132# Steve Byce and 170# Mike Allen. The third place medals went to 191# Steve Dean. Fourth place medals to 112# Ed Albright and 132# Sherm Holey. Sixth place honors went to 119# Tim Jones

and 155# Dennis O'Mara and eighth place to Hyv Steve Cde-Baca.

Team standings for Class C were: 1st Charlevoix, 243 pts.; 2nd Grayling, 223 1/2 pts.; 3rd Onaway, 131 1/2 pts.; 4th Benzie Central, 127 1/2 pts.; 5th Kalkaska, 119 pts.; 6th Benzie, 104 1/2 pts.; 7th Farwell, 85 pts.; 8th Whittemore-Prescott, 78 1/2 pts.; 9th St. Ignace, 76 pts.; 10th Boyne City, 45 pts.; 11th Elk Rapids, 35 pts.

In Class D standings were: 1st Marion, 162 1/2 pts.; 2nd Frankfort, 118 pts.; 3rd Mancelona, 66 pts.; 4th Glen Lake

47 1/2 pts.

It is interesting to note that only 19 1/2 team points separated Grayling from Charlevoix with the Vikings going into the tour-

[See Grapplers on page 10]

Public Notice

The Grayling Township compactor station, located on N. Down River Road, will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day, but will be open the following days, December 26 and January 2, both days from 12 noon til 6:00 p.m.

B. J. Fowler

Construction Halted on Social Services Building Project

by Joe Schrader

Responding to angry public outcry about the site of the new Social Services building at Eagle Point Rd. and M-72 West, Director of Michigan Social Services, John T. Dempsey, asked Star Enterprises, contractor, to halt construction. Star Enterprises has concurred and work has been discontinued.

This surprising development occurred less than 24 hours following a meeting held here in Grayling last Thursday, attended by Dempsey and a number of other State representatives and called for the purpose, according to the Director, "of developing the facts and options in the matter and determining public sentiment about the building site."

Responding to Dempsey's request, Star Enterprises has agreed to halt construction, because, according to a letter from County Prosecutors Kent and Davis to the State Director, "it appears certain that most of the people in Crawford County would prefer to have the Social Services building located closer or in the City of Grayling." This communique to Dempsey was dated December 16th, the day following the local meeting attended by some 80 local residents. Kent's letter continued, "The members of Star Enterprises (of which he and Davis are a part), have absolutely no interest in continuing construction at a site which is not acceptable to the people of our community."

Thus the problem appears to be resolved, at least on a temporary basis. Further, the State has decided to re-let the bids on the project in order to allow the project to be located in or closer to the city.

Some \$26,000 has already been invested by Star Enterprises and it appears the State plans to explore the possibility of using the site for another purpose. The contract existing between the State and Star Enterprises has not been cancelled.

Reserving the right to make a final decision on the building's location, Dempsey left Wednesday's meeting to return to Lansing, obviously convinced that public sentiment unilateral-

ly opposed the Eagle Point location. His final decision came quickly, conveyed in a phone call from Fred Lawless, Deputy Director for Field Services Administration of Michigan Dept. of Social Services, to Mrs. Maureen McNamara, Chairperson for the local Social Services Board. The action culminated a series of meetings

held here recently during which the building site was strongly opposed.

Facing the possibility, if not probability, of a lawsuit over a "breach of contract" if the lease arrangement with Star was terminated, it looks like the State will honor its contract with the contractor and another use for the site will be arranged.

"I find myself in a terrible mess," commented Dempsey at Thursday's open meeting. "I thought we (the State) were acting on a recommendation on a site made by the County Board. If there's any blame to be shouldered in this matter, I'm responsible for the burden of it," he concluded.

[See Construction on page 12]



SNOW MEANS LOTS OF FUN for the younger set. Here a pair of Grayling youngsters put the final touch on "Frosty", their own special snowman who looks ready to greet Santa on his visit this Saturday night. (Joe Schrader Photo)

2 Delegates Attend Washington Conference

WASHINGTON, D.C. —Janice L. Cornell, Community Development Director for Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency and Terry Warner, Administrative Coordinator for the Crawford County Housing Commission were two of 1,300 delegates attending the Third National Rural Housing Conference, which was held here Monday, December 5.

The three-day conference, convened by the Housing Assistance Council, Rural America and the National Rural Housing Coalition, was called to discuss alternative proposals for meeting the housing needs of the rural poor.

"Housing for rural Americans is a national disgrace," says HAC President Alvin Hirschen. "We know that for every standard housing unit in a metropolitan area, there are two in the rural areas of our nation."

"Despite the fact that only 30% of our population is rural, almost half of the country's poor live in rural areas," Hirschen continued. "Yet federal programs have consistently failed to focus on this problem in any

Kiwanians To Sell Christmas Papers Dec. 23

The Grayling Kiwanians will be on the streets this Friday, December 23rd, from noon on selling their annual Christmas paper.

Proceeds from the paper are used by the club in many local projects they participate in throughout the year. Cost of the paper ... as generous as you wish.

Kirtland College to Offer Pharmacology Course

Kirtland Community College will be offering a NAPNES Pharmacology course for all LPN's and LVN's beginning on January 16, 1978. The class will meet once a week for nineteen weeks thereafter. A pre-test, which is required by NAPNES, will be given on January 3, 1978 at 4:00 p.m. in room 100 of the Student Service Building.

Upon successful completion of this course and national final examination, the nurse will have gained three college credits and will obtain a certificate from NAPNES which documents completion of this post-graduate course.

Instructor Roxie Fernelius, R.N., B.S.N., encourages all interested nurses to call the Admissions office at 517-275-5121 to indicate your interest or for further information.



CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION—Fred Kauffman, right, chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, presented plaques to Lawrence "Bud" Hunter, right, Register of Deeds, and Leo E. Lovely, County Clerk, for their dedication and long service to the County at the December meeting of the Board. Kauffman steps down as chairman of the board following 3 years at the helm. Hunter will begin his 27th year January 1st, while Lovely will enter into his 31st year.



GENE KAISER MEMORIAL FUND—Mike Branch, left, Grayling High School Athletic Director, presents a check for \$187.00 to Irv Melsaac, center, Booster Club President, with Fred Wolcott, Vike cage mentor looking on. The money was raised during the St. Ignace game when the game ball was put up for grabs. Melsaac accepted the check for the Crawford County Youth Memorial Fund in Gene Kaiser's name, which is sponsored by the Booster Club. Don Forbes, 9th grader was the lucky winner of the ball.

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From Our Corner....

Once again we survived possibly the worst day of the year in our household ...

Ole Saint Nick is responsible ... we're sure there were no Christmas trees in the manger.

How we can get in so many arguments over a silly tree is beyond us ... it all starts when the boss gets perturbed when I won't tag along while she picks out a tree ... all I tell her is I will only be in the way ... and the saga of our Christmas tree begins.

It is our job to put it on the standard — I feel that is enough, that is after 5 to 10 attempts to make a crooked trunk stand straight from every view in the house.

Putting the lights on this year was a breeze ... she only asked me to hold the ends while being placed in the right spots in other years it was our job, which also took us 2 or 3 times to make sure the right light was behind the right branch.

Come to think about it — this year was quite mild, we had to move a few chairs around, nothing major.

For the next two weeks we won't have to be concerned with what's on the tube ... we can't see it through the tree from our favorite horizontal position on the couch ... really, it's not all bad ... we also like to read and snooze.

Now that we have completed the above gem ... and think about it — it's a good thing we're invited out for Christmas.

To all who come in contact with our corner ... we wish you a very Merry Christmas — we hope yours will be as we plan on being in T.C. with T.J. and Stef.

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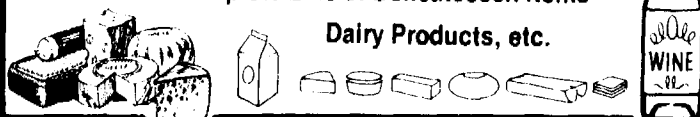
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23 YEARS AGO

December 23, 1954

Ernest Lovely and family of Auburn arrived today to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Emma Lovely and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson arrived in Florida Thursday to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gardner of Wyandotte spent Christmas visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kenyon and daughter Judy, plan to leave for Kalamazoo Friday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Upson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Davenport and son Bobby of Mt. Pleasant arrived here Tuesday to spend the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Thompson.

Bill Kinkert of C.M.C.E. arrived home Tuesday to spend the holidays with his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Long and daughter Caroline, plan to leave for Chicago Friday evening and spend Christmas visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cady.

Cpl. George Kessler returned home last Thursday from duty in Korea for a 30 day leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Kessler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hunter drove to Kalamazoo Tuesday to pick up their daughters, the Misses Jackie and Patty who will spend the holidays with them.

Miss Cora Ann LaGrow of Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, arrived home Friday to spend the holiday vacation visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow.

Mrs. James Forbes and family left today to spend Christmas in Detroit visiting her husband and also her son and family the Jack Forbes.

Nels P. Olson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Olson left Friday to spend three weeks in New York and Vermont visiting relatives. He will spend the first week in New York visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Duncan Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Huntington of Eaton Rapids spent the weekend visiting their daughter and family, the Rill Josephs.

Mrs. Thomas Cassidy returned home Sunday after being a patient at Mercy Hospital for a week.

Mrs. Ernest Larson and Mrs. Tom Haugh spent Monday in Traverse City.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Case are spending the holidays in Ann Arbor visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Broadbent spent Christmas in Gaylord visiting their daughter, Mrs. William Widrig and family.

46 YEARS AGO

December 24, 1931

Hasmus Hasmusson has been in Detroit for the past week on business.

L. G. Balch, H. G. Hockman and Charles Lovelace of Cheboygan were in Grayling Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Corwin and daughters, Miss Mildred and Mrs. Carl Hanson were callers in Gaylord Monday.

A community tree has been placed at the intersection of Michigan and Peninsular Avenues. It is brilliant with lights and trimmings.

Thursday evening Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Moffat were hosts at a very charming bridge party. Two tables were filled for the game which was followed by dancing. Mrs. R. R. Burns and Mr. O. P. Schumann held the high scores for bridge.

Alex LaGrow left for Detroit Sunday to spend a few weeks visiting his sons and daughters who reside there. He was accompanied by his son, Wesley, and daughter, Yvonne, and Miss Wima Burrows who returned after spending the weekend.

Elmer Fenton, student at Mt. Pleasant C. S. T. C., is spending the holidays here with friends.

Mrs. Mike Cohen and Miss Fay Richardson of West Branch visited Mrs. Gladys Schroder Tuesday.

George Burke and Billy LaGrow spent a few days the first part of the week in Detroit on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hanson and Miss Marie Brown were in Flint Saturday. Mr. Hanson drove back a new Chevrolet.

Holger C. Schmidt left Saturday for Los Angeles, Calif., where he will spend the Christmas holidays with his wife, daughter, Marie, and son, Howard at the home of his brother, Hans Schmidt.

Miss Elizabeth Matson arrived Saturday to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Matson. She attends the Battle Creek college.

Thomas Cassidy enjoyed a visit with his daughter, Sister Mary Pancretia in Saginaw Thursday and Friday. On his way home he visited his brother, W. A. Cassidy and sister, Mrs. Elzie Cady in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Cushman and son, Robert, are spending Christmas at the home of the former's parents in Ypsilanti.

Dr. Gordon B. Moffat and family left Wednesday morning to spend Christmas with relatives in Toronto, Canada. They will return Monday.

69 YEARS AGO

December 24, 1908

George H. Leonard and wife will spend the holidays in the eastern part of the state while he looks for aid from certain medical experts.

Tuesday morning was the coldest of the season to that date. The mercury registered at 2 degrees below zero.

Ben Jerome is home for the holidays from the M. A. C. It looks natural to see him with George, who came 2 weeks ago, having their old time fun with old time friends.

Phil Moshier has bought the Evans residence on the east corner of the Sheel house. It is a pleasant and convenient location.

Frank Jorgenson, Ray Amidon and Miss Florence Countryman are Graylingites, home from the Ferris school for the holiday vacation.

The Roscommon Herald was a year old last week and is a lively yearling, which like most kids has made itself heard. Here is hoping it will receive the reward it merits.

A. C. Wilcox started last Monday for a trip to Timberville, Pennsylvania, where he will visit a brother and sister and their families during the holiday season.

The Bible Speaks

From Calvary Baptist Church

Heavenly Overview of the
Final Earthly Judgments
Rev. 11:14-19

In Revelation 11:14-19 we get a prophetic overview of the final phase of God's judgment upon earth as will be seen from Heaven. The 7th trumpet judgment contains the 7 final bowl judgments. Just as the seven seal judgments ushered in the seven trumpet judgments, so also the seventh trumpet judgment ushers in the closing seven bowl judgments.

The inhabitants of Heaven shall observe as Jesus Christ takes control of the kingdom of this world. They are currently under Satan's control. He offered them to Christ in Matthew 4:8 in exchange for worshiping Jesus. Christ refused him, and declared God alone worthy of worship. So Jesus Christ instead of worshiping Satan to gain the world kingdom, died on the cross for the sake of the world and to destroy the power of the Devil. Because of His victory, He shall someday descend every knee to bow in worship of Him as God. Phil. 2:10-11.

In Revelation 11:14-19, the above scene is pictured. The 24 elders, who fall upon their faces before the throne of God and praise Him, verse 16. They shall worship Him by thanksgiving for His action. Truly shall worship Him as eternal God, "which art, and wast, and art to come." They shall worship Him for His power, first in His name "O Lord God Almighty," and then in His action. "Because they have taken to thee thy great power." Last they shall worship Him for His sovereign rule, "and hast reigned." See verses, 16, 17.

As the saints of Heaven worship God for taking control of all the kingdoms of the world, they shall observe that the nations here on earth are angry over it. The world has always been more willing to yield to the control of Satan than to Christ.

The saints shall also see the future resurrection of both the just and the unjust of Israel. See Daniel 12:1, 2 also. They shall observe the reward of the saints and the punishment of the wicked dead.

The saints of Heaven shall also see the temple of God there in Heaven. Can you imagine the glory for us to see into the temple as Christ prepares to depart and descend to the earth. We shall see the ark of the covenant with the stone tablets of commandments given to the nation of Israel. Then as He descends to earth we shall be with Him to see the giant earthquake prophesied in Zechariah 14:4 when the feet of Christ shall touch the mount of Olives, Jer. 31:31.

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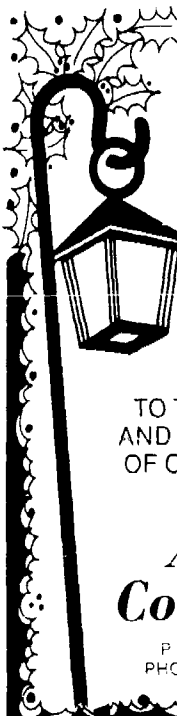
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Specifications and additional information may be obtained from the Road Commission office, 320 State St., P. O. Box 587, Grayling, Mich. 49738.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and accept the bid which they consider to be in the best interest of the County.
Crawford County Road Commission

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THE NATIVITY...One of the world's most famous Nativity Scenes is portrayed at Gatlinburg (Tenn.) Christus Gardens, in the Smoky Mountain vacation area.

Editor's Mailbox

Mr. Madsen:
"The boys basketball season is underway."

As a parent of a girl basketball player, I'm so HAPPY that they've gotten everything fixed in the High School gym. It's just a shame things weren't in running order for the girls games, especially the second scoreboard and the P.A. system which finally got fixed about halfway through the season, so they could introduce the players. We never did hear the National Anthem. I don't know who takes the blame for that!

And where was Joe Schrader and the Avalanche? No pictures, no articles - NOTHING!!!

The boys make front page news, the girls don't even make Honorable Mention on the back page. Who's to blame for that? Mr. Madsen? Joe Schrader? Mr. Branch? Coach Cheney?

How about the Booster Club taking an ad for every sport? Smaller ones may be necessary to stay within an allotted amount of money for this type of advertising but at least we would know the club isn't prejudiced.

The girls work out and practice as much as the boys and I think deserve just as much praise and publicity!

They're record was 5-14, not the best, but better than they've done over the last few seasons. I hope the boys do as well.

I would like to thank Mr. Wieland and his group for the fine gymnastic exhibition and Mr. Townsend and his group for the terrific music performed at one of the girls games. It should happen more often. Maybe they could even tape the National Anthem.

Come to think of it, there wasn't a cheerleader to be seen at the girls games either. Who's responsible for that?

Girls Volleyball will be coming up soon. I hope the school and our community will be behind them, wishing them a good year. I know the parents will be.

I sincerely hope next September that things will be in running order at the school and we get to see some news in the Avalanche on our girls games and not have to get it from out of town papers.

I don't expect any answers to my questions but, I hope it's food for thought and will bring action from those people who CAN answer them.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Reed
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Mr. Howard Madsen, Publisher
Crawford County Avalanche
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Grayling, Mich. 49738

Dear Whitey:

You said a mouthful in "From Our Corner," in the issue of 8 Dec. '77.

I hope that there is some way that those that have placed this building where it is being erected can logically be convinced to change the location. If they cannot be approached in that way then maybe they can be shamed or ridiculed into the change.

It is too bad that the "ins" hardly ever listen to the taxpayers, and I do pay taxes in Grayling and Crawford County. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Ralph H. Routier

Parent Effectiveness Series Begins

A series of Parent Effectiveness classes will begin January 5 in Mio. The 4-part series is a part of the Cooperative Extension Service Family Living Education Program, co-sponsored by the Oscoda County Family Living Council, Merrill Baldwin, Extension Home Economist, conducts the classes which are open to the public.

Ms. Baldwin said, "The series centers on improving the relationship between parent and child through the use of three specific communications skills. Simply stated, we cover how to listen so your child will keep talking to you, how to talk so your child listens, and how to resolve conflict so no one loses."

"Of course," Ms. Baldwin continued, "we get involved in other topics, like discipline, a child's self-image, acceptance, and how children learn."

The classes will be held at the Mio Church of God from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. To enroll in the series, simply attend the first class on January 5th. Subsequent classes are January 9, 12, and 16th. There is no enrollment fee.

While it's best for both parents to attend, it's not required. References for the classes are "Parent Effectiveness Training," by Dr. Thomas Gordon, and "The Magic Years," by Selma Fraiberg. Purchase of the books is not required.

Brochures further describing the series are available at the Cooperative Extension Service office, Courthouse Annex, Mio, or County Building Annex, Roscommon.

Assessor Examination To Be Given at Kirtland College

An examination for Assessor - Level II will be administered on Wednesday, December 21, 1977 at 1:00 p.m. to all Kirtland Community College students completing the course in Property Valuation and Administration II. The test will be administered and graded by a representative of the State Assessors Board.

Any qualified individual wishing to take one of the assessors examinations (level I, II, or III) on December 21st and is not currently enrolled in an Assessors class at Kirtland, should contact Garnet Stewart, Dean of Instruction at 517-275-5121.

Frederic Girl Scout Troop #172

We had a very busy month of November. For our outing we went roller skating with the Brownies and everyone had a good time.

Our project for Thanksgiving was a horn of plenty with something good to eat cut out of magazines. We put magnets on the back so that it would stick to the refrigerator.

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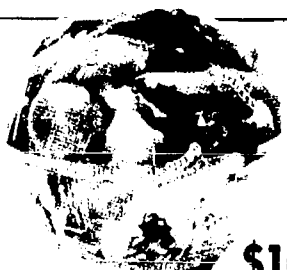
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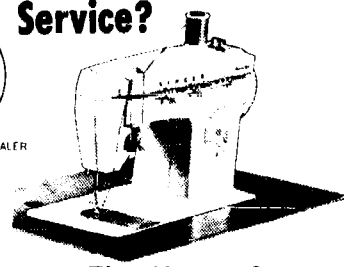
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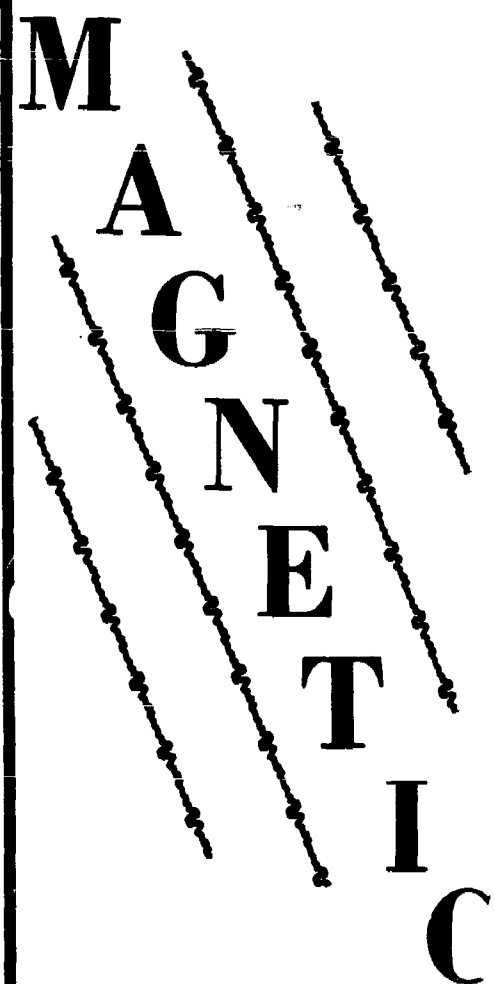


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FBI head?

Speaking out patriotically with a new choice to head the Bureau

Richard Millman

Although President Carter certainly has plenty of sources for sound advice on how to conduct the various aspects of his presidential responsibilities, maybe a little bit more might not be out of line.

I mean, after all if you have a good idea, isn't it your patriotic duty to speak out?

Mr. Carter came out with a pretty good idea of his own a while back, naming a respected southern judge by the name of Frank Johnson to head the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He picked Judge Johnson over a list of finalists which included, among others, Wayne County's black sheriff, William Lucas, a former FBI agent himself.

Judge Johnson, unfortunately, has now taken himself out of consideration for the job as FBI head. Between the time Mr. Carter selected Johnson and he was to take office, the judge underwent heart surgery, and hasn't been recovering well enough to permit him to take on the new and awesome responsibilities as head of the FBI. It's really too bad; Judge Johnson seemed like a sound choice, with excellent credentials.

Now it's back to the appointment grabbag for the President and his chief FBI recruiter, Attorney General Griffin Bell. They have prevailed upon present FBI Director Clarence Kelley to stay on the job a few more weeks after his anticipated retirement until they come up with somebody to take over Judge Johnson's intended role. Kelley has said he'll stick around until February.

Mr. Carter and Mr. Bell obviously have proceeded with extreme caution in picking a person to head the sensitive post as FBI chief. Especially since the death of the legendary J. Edgar Hoover, along with the development of the watergate psychosis and other trauma, the job takes on Herculean dimensions. Frank Johnson was an unexpected choice, but indicated that the White House respected the size of the selection problem and the opportunity facing them.

As a replacement for Judge Johnson, the President might do well to consider

one of Michigan's native sons. If the responsibility were mine to find a head of the FBI — heaven forbid! — I'd take a look at James Brickley, currently president of Eastern Michigan University at Ypsilanti.

Brickley is relatively young, dynamic, articulate — and, from the record on the results of the various public jobs he's undertaken, he's capable, too.

Admittedly, Mr. Brickley is a hot political property in Michigan. He served four years as lieutenant governor under Gov. Milliken, then tired of the political wait and went into the college president field instead. The only elective job he's really interested in apparently would be governor — that's a stance designed in part, I presume, to head off those who want him to run for Congress or the United States Senate or something else.

Brickley is a former FBI agent. He also was a federal district attorney in Detroit, and at one time was the Detroit city council.

Of course, he's a Republican, which normally might be a stumbling block for his appointment to anything in a Democratic administration, much less a major job like head of the FBI. However, Mr. Carter has called on precious few Republicans for national service of any sort, and appointing a competent member of the opposite party here and there can become good politics, especially if the job is right and political opposite is right. Jim Brickley as head of the FBI just might be right on both scores.

Just consider the background Brickley would bring to the job:

He served in the FBI ranks. He's a lawyer, and a former district attorney. He's worked in urban government, on the Detroit city council. He's served as an elected state official. He's put in some effective work in the field of academia as a university president. And he doesn't wear his political identification on his sleeve, either.

All in all, I think it would be a good appointment for Mr. Carter to consider. He's welcome to the idea if he wants it; here, I've done my duty.



RETURN FROM CARIBBEAN CRUISE—Local senior citizens Angela Kirkum, Earl Westbrook and Frances Olsen and Dr. C. E. Dunn of Detroit, (left to right), returned home Sunday, December 11th, from an 8-day Caribbean Cruise. They sailed on the Boheme ship better known as "The Happy Ship" with cruise director Frank Roberts and his assistants. The 500 people aboard never had a dull moment, according to Mr. Westbrook.

The first stop was Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic. A tour and shopping was arranged for those who wanted to go with cocktails, music and dancing provided for those who preferred to stay on board. On Tuesday they arrived at St. Thomas U. S. Virgin Islands Sea Safari, where another tour was planned and Holy Mass was held for all Catholics on the boat.

The next stop was at San Juan, Puerto Rico, where tours and a night club show was an added attraction. The next stop was Cap Haitien, Haiti, where two tours were planned: one in the city and one a mountain tour partly by donkeys.

Every day was filled with entertainment: dancing, horse racing, golf ball driving, skeet shooting, swimming, lounge, cards, movies and night club entertainment. Some of the highlights included the "Captain's Party", The Masquerade Party and talent show.

Prior to leaving on their trip, the foursome attended a wedding in Detroit on Friday evening. The groom was Joseph Kirkum, grandson of Angela. Dr. Dunn is Angela's brother.

Direct Line ...

Memorial Day: When Should It Be Observed?

When do you think Memorial Day should be observed? On the traditional date of May 30 or the last Monday in May?

That's a question my colleagues and I in the Senate will be having to answer in the near future.

Memorial Day has been observed in our state for the past 50 years on the last Monday in May. But the House passed and sent over to the Senate this week a bill (HB 4047) changing the date of observance back to May 30, regardless of what day that date falls on.

The impetus for changing the date, for observing Memorial Day, back to May 30 came primarily from veterans groups who think having it celebrated then would make it more meaningful. They say people need to keep in mind that as we celebrate Memorial Day, we are remembering those who died for our country.

The supporters of the change back to May 30 include many business groups, and the fact that just about all of us because it encourages people to travel that weekend and spend their dollars in business. Other opponents of the change note that many people still prefer to respect the fact that Memorial Day is the day of the weekend and a day of mourning. Memorial Day, they say, is a day to be observed by the entire nation.

Both sides have been heard and it is up to the voters to decide. The traditional date of May 30 has been the tradition for so long that the supporters have been able to argue that it is the only way to observe it.

The supporters of the change back to May 30 argue that it is the only way to observe it.

Beaver Creek Twp. Notice

The Beaver Creek Twp. Board has decided to hold a public hearing on Monday, December 26, 1977, at 7:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Twp. Board Office, 10000 W. 10th St., Grayling, Michigan. The hearing will be held in the Board Room, 10000 W. 10th St., Grayling, Michigan.

Virginia Mathis
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Lovells News

by Ruth Caid

Mrs. Mary Venus returned home Saturday after being a patient at Mercy Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Abbott Walker returned home Sunday after spending a few days in Troy, N. Y.

Mrs. Margie Harwood returned home Tuesday after spending a few days with her daughter and husband. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Paquette, and getting acquainted with her new granddaughter, Katie Ruth.

Word was received of the death of Ervin Rooker who passed away in Punta Gorda, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Rooker have been a part of our community for several years and have many friends who extend their deepest sympathies to the family.

Debbie and Kenny Bollman are home for the holidays from Lake Superior State College at Sault Ste. Marie.

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Moose News

Hi Moose members! This week we will report the activities we had over the weekend. Saturday there was a nice turn-out for the benefit supper for the Cox family of Frederic.

On Sunday the 18th we had our *Moose Christmas Party* for the kids. We had a real good time. At this time I would like to thank Ervin Watson and all the people who worked down there making the party a success.

We tried to have each child have his picture taken with Santa and Tina Watson, who helped Santa. She was an elf. There was a good turn out of older members too.

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Ralph Slusser

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Bits O' Talk

by Fay Bovee

Four local Kiwanians attended an Inter-Club meeting Tuesday morning in Traverse City. Those attending were Rev. George Spencer, Charles Fick, Charles Wolfelin and Dick Vanderstelt. They enjoyed breakfast and a program of Christmas music by the Traverse City High School Choralaires and also met Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fellers of Shaw Park held an Open House from 3 to 5 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 18th to start the Holiday Season here in the park. They had a lovely snack table and cocktails. Their guests were Donald and Dorothy Phillips, Don and Jeanne Feldhauser, Geoff and Debra Gonter, Dave and Jill Wyman and Wilma Sunday. It was a very pleasant get-together. Wilma says it is very nice to have so many staying year around here in the Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave LaGuire from St. Johns spent Sunday with the Charles Fick family.

Mrs. Mary Jane Knibbs will have her family home for the holidays - Nancy Rosenberg from Ann Arbor, Jim from Detroit, Holly from MSU and Linda and Mike Witte of Springfield, Ill.

Mrs. L. W. Huntington of Eaton Rapids is spending a couple of weeks with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo Marcenaro (nee Cindy Bailey) and son, Eduardo left for Buenos Aires, Argentina, to spend several months visiting his parents at Mar Del Plata. The Marcenaros left Petoskey about a month ago to spend a month in Florida visiting his sister before flying for S. America.

Gail Hunter and friend, Jim O'Hara of Atlanta, Ga. Mary Kay Hunter of Minneapolis, and Paula Hunter of Lansing Community College all arrived at the Les Hunter home on Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents.

Richie and Billie Smith of Saugerties will arrive at Tri-City Airport Friday evening to spend Christmas with her parents, the Robert Bovees. Dena Bovee of Marquette will also arrive Friday to spend the holidays.

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- TAURUS**
Apr. 20-May 20
Avoid friction where religion is concerned. Be ready for a change in plans—all to the good.
- GEMINI**
May 21-June 21
Handle other people's finances carefully. Shared resources bring improved relationships.
- MOONCHILD**
June 21-July 22
No need to try so hard for recognition. It comes. Let the others take the lead.
- LEO**
July 23-Aug. 22
Be careful of your health. Excesses can bring grief. Patience in dealing with others is a must.
- VIRGO**
Aug. 23-Sept. 22
Opposition from others calls for an alteration of plans. An introduction leads to a bit of romance.
- LIBRA**
Sept. 23-Oct. 22
This is not the time for speaking out on troublesome matters as it will only antagonize family members.
- SCORPIO**
Oct. 23-Nov. 21
Tread cautiously in dealing with those in authority. Curb tendencies toward impatience and impulsiveness.
- SAGITTARIUS**
Nov. 22-Dec. 21
You may experience problems in communicating with others where finances are concerned. Be conservative.
- CAPRICORN**
Dec. 22-Jan. 19
Why not update your wardrobe by refurbishing some of the closet clutterers?
- AQUARIUS**
Jan. 20-Feb. 18
Get enough rest this week as health could suffer. It's time to catch your breath.
- PISCES**
Feb. 19-Mar. 20
Be loyal to your true love. Improved relationships are strengthened.

School Board Minutes

December 12, 1977

The meeting was called to order by President J. Duley at 7:30 p.m. in the High School library. Members present: J. Duley, K. Burkley, B. Dosch, D. Sloan, M. Perez, R. Smock. Absent: D. Wyman. Also present: Superintendent Fraser Dean and Business Manager Paul Lerg.

Items of Business:

1. Approval of minutes: Moved by Perez, supported by Burkley to approve the November 7, 1977 minutes, with correction to read: to ask for bids for 3 new buses. Motion carried; all aye. Moved by Perez, supported by Burkley to approve the November 7, 1977 closed session minutes. Motion carried; all aye.

2. Financial report: D. Wyman now present. Moved by Burkley, supported by Smock to approve the financial report of November 30, 1977. Motion carried; all aye.

3. Bills: Moved by Perez, supported by Dosch to approve the bills to be ratified in the amount of \$210,252.25. Motion carried; all aye. Moved by Perez, supported by Burkley to approve the bills to be allowed in the amount of \$18,380.45. Motion carried; all aye.

4. Athletic budget: Discussion of deficit in budget led by Mike Branch, Athletic Director of Crawford AuSable Schools. Recommended by M. Perez to have the Finance Committee study the athletic budget before a decision is made on the allocation of funds for the athletic program. Moved by Perez, supported by Dosch to table the matter until the January Board meeting. Motion carried; all aye.

5. C.O.O.R. Area Vocational study and proposal: Discussion led by Ron Nagy, Vocational Technical Specialist regarding a proposal for a Vocational Skill Center to be shared by six area schools.

6. Project SAVE-Drug and Alcohol abuse education: Discussion led by Kathy McCurdy, Prevention Co-ordinator of Substance Abuse Values Education, regarding a pilot program for 4th, 5th and 6th grade students that began in Cadillac. Discussion continued on the possibility of beginning such a program in the Crawford AuSable School District.

Meeting recessed at 9:25 p.m. and resumed at 9:47 p.m.

7. Guests wishing to address the Board: Puff Denton - questioned condition of ditto worksheets given to students, providing of free paper and pencils; the mailing of weekly evaluation of child as opposed to hand-carrying same; testing in the reading area of Middle School students. Mr. Nicholas requested conference with Mrs. Denton. Bob Ciszewski - read letter addressed to Superintendent Dean and members of the School Board regarding recent article of the Superintendent's Corner in the Herald Times questioning statistics for our own school system as compared to national statistics. Superintendent Dean invited Mr. Ciszewski to meet with him regarding same.

8. Truck bids: Moved by Duley, supported by Burkley to accept the bid of W. Keith Priebe in the amount of \$125.00 for 1966 Chevrolet pick-up truck. Motion carried; all aye.

9. Bus bids: Moved by Wyman, supported by Burkley to accept bid #3 from Zaremba Equipment Inc. (with option of alcohol evaporation) for 3 bus chassis in the amount of \$9,434.90 per unit and to accept bid #7 from Thomas Coaches for 3 bodies (with option of plywood floors) in the amount of \$8,075.00 per unit. Motion carried; all aye.

10. Snowplowing bid: Moved by Burkley, supported by Smock to accept the bid of Jess Platt in the amount of \$15.00 per time for snowplowing at the Frederic Elementary School. Motion carried; all aye.

11. Facilities study - energy bill: Discussion led by Duane Sloan regarding the energy Conservation bill and meeting with architectural firms on having a feasibility study on remodeling of the present Middle School for energy conservation with comparison to building of a new school building.

12. Committee appointments: Discussion led by Kathy Burkley. Moved by Wyman, supported by Dosch to adopt the Advisory Committees to the Board and Task Forces policy. Motion carried; all aye. Moved by Perez, supported by Dosch to accept recommendation to appoint a Board Policy Committee, a Finance Committee and a Curriculum Committee. Motion carried; all aye. R. Smock and K. Burkley will serve on the Board Policy committee; D. Wyman, D. Sloan, M. Perez on the Finance committee; B. Dosch and J. Duley on the Curriculum committee, with recommendations of citizens to serve on the above committees to be made by the January Board meeting.

13. Legislative Up-Date: Discussion led by Superintendent Dean. Senate Bill 714 passed to prohibit non-professional employees from collecting unemployment which eliminates a \$60,000 increase to local taxpayers. The petition drive to do away with property tax and go to a voucher system looks as if it may go on the ballot in 1978. The Prevailing Wage Bill is now in the House Labor Committee and looks as if it will pass. It will require all school building projects to pay union wages, which will raise the hourly rates for construction in Northern Michigan \$8 to \$10 an hour and increase the cost of building from \$27 to \$30 a square foot to \$37 to \$40 a square foot.

14. Resignation of Lois Sherfield: Moved by Burkley, supported by Perez to accept the resignation of Lois Sherfield as of January 20, 1978 if an adequate replacement can be found. Motion carried; all aye.

15. Class size: Discussion led by Superintendent Dean regarding teacher aids for larger size elementary classes and possibility of opening one more section of 8th grade Science in the Middle School.

Discussion of overcrowding of buses from the High School to the Middle School.

Moved by Perez, supported by Smock to adjourn to closed session at 11:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the workman's comp case. Roll call vote: M. Perez, aye; D. Sloan, aye; R. Smock, aye; B. Dosch, aye; J. Duley, aye; D. Wyman, aye; K. Burkley, aye. Meeting resumed at 11:24 p.m. No action taken from closed session. Moved by Perez, supported by Wyman to adjourn at 11:15 p.m. Motion carried; all aye.

Respectfully submitted, Kathleen Burkley - Secretary.

Jackie Norman - Recording Secretary.

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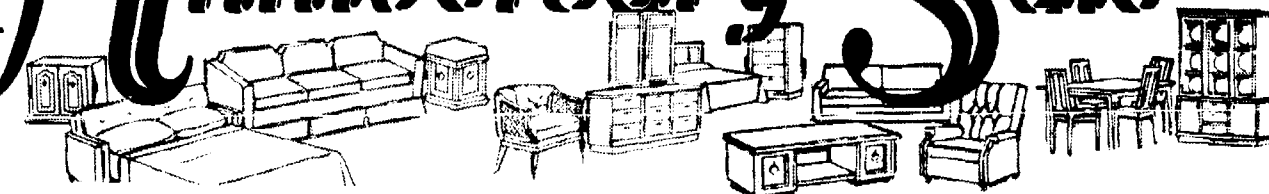
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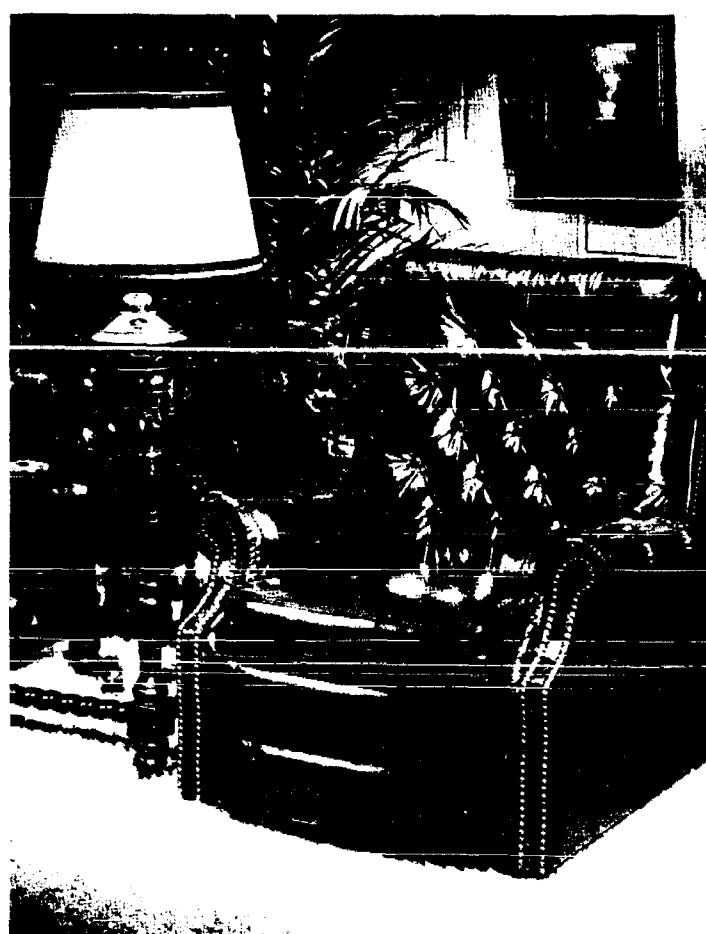
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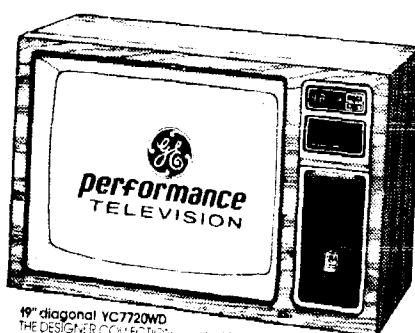
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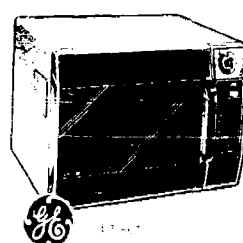
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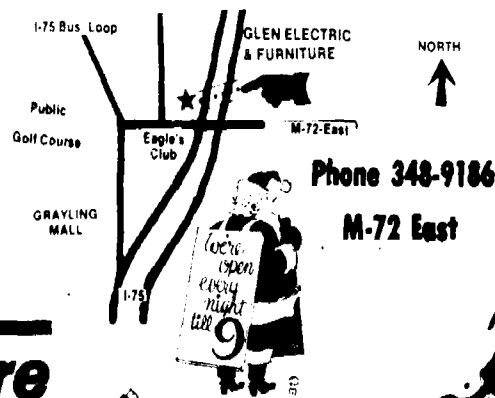
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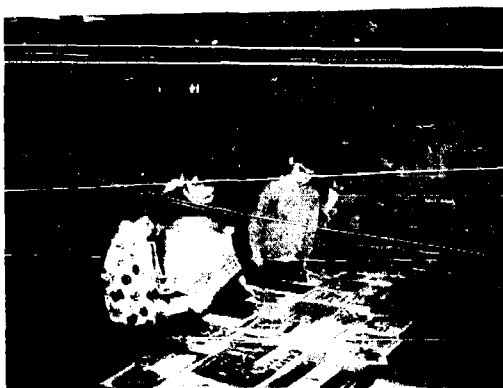
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Announce Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Don Goss of Mio, Mich. are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Mrs. Bill Harty. Bill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harty of Grayling and is currently a student at Grayling High School. The wedding is being held at the Grayling High School.



READING IS FUNDAMENTAL — The Grayling Public Library has announced a new program for the winter months. The program is called "Reading is Fundamental" and is designed to help children develop their reading skills. The program will run from January 1st to March 31st. For more information, call 348-5541.

Gene Kaiser Memorial Fund

The Gene Kaiser Memorial Fund is a charitable organization that was established in 1964. The fund is named after Gene Kaiser, a prominent businessman and philanthropist. The fund's purpose is to provide financial assistance to students who are pursuing higher education. For more information, call 348-5541.

W.O.T.M. News

The W.O.T.M. (Women of the Town Meeting) is a group of women who meet regularly to discuss local issues and provide support for one another. The group is open to all women who are interested in community service. For more information, call 348-5541.

Basketball

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The Bitter and Mark McEvers scored in 4 spots, while John, Rickett, Smith and McClain each scored 2.

The boys kept Grayling winning for the year and in the collar position in the conference.

In action at Roscommon, the Bucks literally blew Grayling off the court the first quarter, building up a 24-5 lead, then boosted it to an unsurmountable 44-16 halftime bulge. The Bucks then coasted home, 76-29, with Leveille leading a balanced scoring attack with 16 points. To St. Dunsky, scored 18 points to lead the Vikes, while Trevor Hindschadel was close behind with 8.

Against Rogers City, the Vikes could only manage 7 points in the first half, falling behind by 19 points at the half. A 36-point splurge the second half by the Vikes wasn't good enough, though, and at the final buzzer the Vikes were on the short end of a 17-point deficit. St. Dunsky again led the Vikes, with 14 points, while Hindschadel scored in 27 to lead the Huns.

In Roscommon action, the Vikes scored a 36-35 win over Roscommon Monday night.

Coach Wickett put it as the Vikes' players enter their Christmas break. "We're not about to give up, we're going to put the boys the best we can. But, by the way, where are the fans?"

The Middle School Graders started their season on a positive note this past Monday night in Mio. The 7th graders outscored their Bolt opponents, 35-24 and the 8th grade also won 32-15.

Grayling's Freshman Squad continued into the land of the Potato, 12-11 on Monday, but got shellacked 66-47, both halves led the Fresh attack with 11 points.

MHS CONFERENCE

League Overall	W	L	W	L
Grayling	5	0	6	0
St. Ignace	4	1	5	2
Arden	4	1	4	2
Roscommon	2	2	3	2
Grayling	2	2	2	3
St. Ignace	1	1	1	5
Arden	1	4	1	6
Grayling	2	5	0	6

Grayling's game, Cheltenham 24-12, St. Ignace 24-12.

Grayling's game, Onondaga 12-12, St. Ignace 12-12.

IN MEMORY

In loving memory of Leonard Walker who passed away a year ago, December 18th. Sadly missed by wife, children and grandchildren.

Grapplers

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ment with 15 wrestlers, while the Raiders used 21 mat men to achieve their 1st place position.

In addition to his 1st place medal, Burt Partello received a plaque for having the most pins in the 97# to 138# division. He led with 4 pins in 4 matches and had only a total of 4 min. and 34 seconds on the mat during the tournament. So far, this season he has pinned all his opponents in the 1st period.

Curt Gofnick pinned 3 men in his matches with one of his best pins against Lehto of St. Ignace in the final round. He earned his 1st place by impressive, aggressive wrestling.

Steve Rice received recognition for winning by the highest decision of the day (27-2). Steve scored a total of 55 points on his 1st 3 matches and had only 6 points scored against him.

128# Mike Allen (sawed the #1 choice from Cheltenham by an (8-3) decision in his second match of the day. Mike also defeated the #3 choice from Farrell by a (14-0) decision, well earning his 2nd place medal.

The Vikings are looking forward to their first home meet of the season Thursday, December 22, when they meet tomorrow at the high school gym at 6:30 p.m.

Give our winning team your support by cheering them on to another victory. Go Vikes - Pin 'em Again!!

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St. Ignace	12	Mary Ann Colgrove
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Rogers City	12	Norma Szczerski
Rogers City	12	Mary Bellmore
Gaylord	12	Nancy Siczewski
Gaylord	11	Lynnatti Taylor
Boysie City	11	Dawn Timms
Boysie City	9	Becky Amsbury
Charlevoix	11	Sherrie Selissen
Petoskey	11	Cindy Okerlund
Charlevoix	12	Kathy Phillips
Gaylord	12	Carol VanNuck

HONORABLE MENTION

St. Ignace	10	Glenda Pembie
Charlevoix	12	Margo Schmidt
Gaylord	10	Shiela Parkinson
Gaylord	10	Karen Hanson

Delegates

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ourk (D. S. Dak.), and Representatives Breckenridge (D. Ky.) and Les AuCoin (D. Ore.). Breckenridge is Chairman of the Congressional Rural Caucus. AuCoin is a sponsor of the rural title of the 1977 Housing and Community Development Act.

Speaking on federal programs affecting the rural poor were Alex P. Mesure, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, Joseph Burstein, Counselor to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Gordon Cavanaugh, Administrator of the Farmers Home Administration.

Cavanaugh is the former executive director of HAC. Professor Barry Commoner, noted environmentalist, addressed the meeting on rural energy problems.

Featured at the Conference were workshops on credit and assistance, community facilities and land acquisition problems.

Other Conference sessions dealt with the effectiveness of current housing initiatives in Congress and the federal agencies, and took a hard look at the equity of existing programs and their delivery systems.

Another series of workshops dealt with the special needs of rural Americans — the elderly and the handicapped, migrant and seasonal farm workers and Native Americans.

One workshop examined what various federal agencies are doing to meet low-income energy needs in rural areas. The Housing Assistance Council is a national nonprofit corporation federally-funded to increase the availability of decent housing for rural low-income people. The six-year old organization is governed by a 36-member Board of Directors representing public and nonprofit housing agencies, public interest organizations, unions and minorities at the local, state and national level.

Cosponsoring organizations are: American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME/AFL-CIO), Washington, DC; Center for Community Change, Washington, DC; Colorado Housing Finance Authority, Denver, Colorado; Colorado Rural Housing Development Corp., Brighton, Colorado; Delta Housing Development Corporation, Indianapolis, Mississippi; Home Cases, Inc., Fremont, Ohio; Human Economic Appalachian Development (HEAD), Berea, Kentucky; Kentucky Housing Corporation, Frankfort, Kentucky; Maine County Housing Authority, Salem, Oregon; Minnesota Housing Council, St. Cloud, Minnesota; National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO), Washington, DC; National Association of Smaller Communities, Washington, DC; National Center for Appropriate Technology, Montana; National Demonstration Water Project, Washington, DC; National Housing Law Project, Berkeley, California; National Rural Center, Washington, DC; New England Non-Profit Housing Development Corporation (NENPHDC), Concord, New Hampshire; Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Program Funding, Inc., Rochester, New York; Southern Mutual Help Association, Franklin, Louisiana; Terra del Sol Housing Corporation, Las Cruces, New Mexico; United Auto Workers, Washington, DC; and Valle del Sol, Portales, New Mexico.

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Blood Pressure Clinic

District Health Dept. #1 Crawford County Branch Office has cancelled the Blood Pressure Clinic for the month of Dec. There will be a Clinic on Jan. 18, 1978.

Construction

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Public sentiment against the Eagle Point site was obvious again at last week's meeting. "Is there anyone here who favors the Eagle Point site?" Dempsey once asked. There was no response from anyone in attendance. "My biggest concern here is, thirdfold," continued Dempsey, first of all, service to clients involved, secondly, employee interest and concern and, last but not least, public sentiment. "His concerns must have been answered quickly since his decision, promised by this past Monday, was delayed to Grayling from Lawless less than 24 hours from the conclusion of the meeting."

The completion of the project is probably now delayed by at least six months. But a feeling of relief by the Board and other concerned citizens is now apparent. What appeared to be a hopeless and frustrating situation a week ago has now been resolved.

Now, a new site will be sought and, in a public statement issued by Mrs. McNamara last Friday, the local Board is asking for help from any interested parties in locating a new site, either in or near Grayling.

For the local Board and other concerned citizens, "Santa Claus came early."

Mercy Hospital News

The following were among those admitted to the hospital during the past week: Norman Kammer, Mary McNaughton, Jami Shepler, and Agnes Bissonette, all of Grayling; Joyce Huisman, Kelly Ryan and Tammy Owens, all of Frederic. Those released were Michael Deip, Thomas Lozon, Linda Northrup and baby, Mary Gross and baby and Jaymie Brunson and baby, all of Grayling; Joyce Huisman and baby and Thomas Owens of Frederic.

A son, Eric Daniel, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hulbert of Frederic on December 12 weighing 6 lbs. 3 1/2 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGee of Grayling are the parents of a daughter, Linda Ellen, born December 15 weighing 8 lbs. 1 1/2 ozs.

Avia Tj was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tjard Huisman of Frederic on December 13. The little lady weighed in at 7 lbs. 9 ozs.

OBITUARY

Services Held For
Irving J. Rooker, 82

Irving J. Rooker, 82, of Grayling died Friday, December 9, in Florida. He was a winter resident of Punta Gorda for the past 14 years.

Mr. Rooker was a veteran of World War II, served in the U. S. Army, and a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1566 of Saginaw.

He is survived by his wife, Mabel, a son, John F. Rooker of Richmond, Virginia, a sister, Mrs. Florence Yahn of Littleton, Colorado, and two grandchildren.

Private services were held at the Punta Gorda Chapel of Rays Funeral Home, Florida on December 10.

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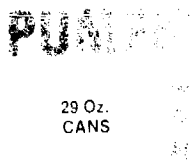
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Here's ho-ho-hoping
that all your holiday
wishes come true ...
and to all our special
friends ... a very
special "thank you."
Be merry ... always.



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THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS



TALLY HO!



May your holidays be a gathering of love and togetherness! We greet our friends and wish you joy at Christmas.

AuSable Woodworking



Wishing Everybody a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year

Cornell Agency Incorporated

Lois Fox, Ann Hanson, Annette Sherlock, George Stanoli and Paul Thomson

A Spirited Tradition Home Made Wine Jelly



Wine jelly in handsomely decorated containers make really special and thoughtful holiday gifts. A graceful wine glass or shapely jar will be used and admired long after its contents are gone.

Multicolor yarn swirled round in round and glued onto the lid makes a bright touch of decoration. Or try a sprig of holiday greenery tied with a bow and invisibly taped onto the front of the jar. You'll get many rewarding "oohs" and "aahs" from delighted recipients of these original gifts.

BASIC WINE JELLY

2 cups sautaine or rose wine 1/2 bottle liquid pectin
3 cups sugar

Pour wine into top of double boiler and add sugar. Mix well and place over rapidly boiling water for about 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from over water and stir pectin in at once. Pour into glasses and seal with paraffin. Yields about five 6 oz. glasses

SPICED WINE JELLY

2 cups of sherry or port wine 1/2 bottle liquid pectin
4 whole cloves 2 cups sugar

Mix sugar and wine in saucepan and add whole cloves. Stirring constantly, heat over medium light for 5 minutes. Remove from heat, remove cloves and stir pectin in immediately. Using metal spoon skim off foam and pour promptly into hot, sterilized glasses. Cover immediately with 1/2 inch hot paraffin. Yields 5 or 6 medium size glasses or jars.

MERRY SHERRY JELLY

1 fifth cream sherry Sprigs of fresh rosemary
1 bottle liquid pectin (6 oz.) 1 cup sugar
1/2 cup strained lemon juice

Combine sherry, lemon juice, sugar and 1 sprig of rosemary in 4 quart saucepan. Bring to full boil, stirring constantly until sugar is completely dissolved. Stir pectin in and return to full boil for 1 minute. Remove from heat and remove rosemary. Pour into hot sterilized jars or glasses. Place a fresh sprig of rosemary in each and seal. Makes 8 cups of merry sherry jelly.



Season's best to you, this Christmas Day.
We appreciate the patronage shown to us.

Grayling Automotive



The Lasting Beauty of A Live Christmas Tree

There are many reasons for choosing a live tree for the holidays. They are beautiful and fragrant. They are ecologically acceptable. They are a wise investment in that they can be planted outside your house once Christmas has become a beautiful memory. Some simple observations when choosing and buying your tree will eliminate the possibility of having it dry out quickly and the danger of fire.

The height of your ceiling and the width of the space the tree will occupy are important measurements to keep in mind when making your purchase. Plan to stand the tree away from a TV set, radiator, heating unit or duct. When selecting the tree test the needles for freshness by bending them back gently. If they spring back they're fresh. If not, beware!

Live trees consume a lot of water so choose a holder with at least a two quart capacity and keep it filled to within an inch of the rim at all times. The stand should have a collar several inches in diameter and screws to hold the tree firmly in place. Chop about an inch off the stump before putting the tree in water.

Trimming the Christmas tree is a celebration all itself. Many families have tree trimming parties for close friends and relatives. But before you get to all the fun make sure you inspect the light strings so there are no frayed ends or exposed wires. Lights can be strung at random or in any pattern your imagination conjures up. Keep larger and heavier lights and trimmings on the lower half of the tree, tapering toward the top.

That added bonus of being able to plant your tree outside your house will keep the spirit of the holidays alive all through the year. The tree can be planted outdoors in either of two ways. Keeping the root ball moist, carefully put the tree in a spot protected from the wind, to be planted in the Spring. If you've had the foresight to dig a hole for your tree before the ground froze, you can plant your tree right after the holidays are over. The dirt from the hole must be kept covered to keep it from freezing also. Once firmly set in the ground you'll be able to enjoy your Christmas tree every season of the year!



TRADITIONAL... Gift giving at Christmas is an indispensable part of our holiday celebration. As the Three Wise Men brought tokens of their respect to the Christ Child at Bethlehem, so do we offer our tokens of love and friendship to family and friends.

Christmas A time for Peace and Joy... A time for sharing memories and renewing cherished friendships.



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Francis L. Walsh
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

CHRISTMAS

At this glittering time of the year we send wishes for your happiness, glowing with bright hope for the future.

We look forward to serving you again

Al & Jessies Restaurant

a note of cheer

at Christmas to you and those you love.



Dad's Sporting Goods

MERRY CHRISTMAS

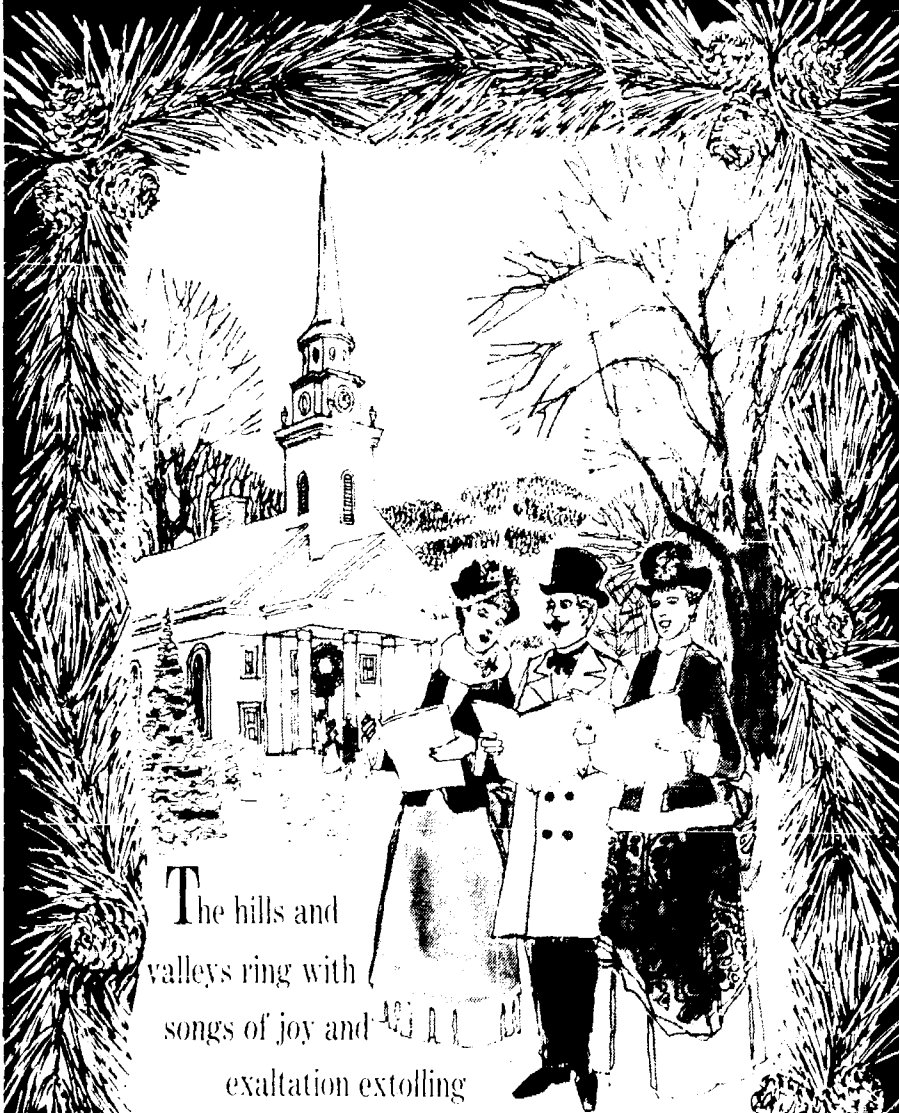


This merry old gentlemen is bringing so many good things your way, you'll enjoy them long after Christmas day!



Joining Santa with our bountiful thanks.

Chief Shoppenagons Motor Hotel



The hills and valleys ring with songs of joy and exaltation extolling the Spirit of Christmas!

We reverently join in to say thanks to all.

Merry Christmas

GRAYLING STATE BANK

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Christmas Wishes
for everlasting peace and joy.


Sorenson Funeral Home
Derek McEvers Owner & Director

Christmas Greetings


Let hearts near and far sing praises to Him. To all, thanks.



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AT CHRISTMAS
Packed up lots of wishes
Wrapped 'em full of fun,
For a healthy, happy Christmas
And thanks to everyone.



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'tis the Season
Thank you for your cooperation and good will. May your Yuletide be ornamented with Health, Happiness and Prosperity!

R & H SPORT CENTER
RAY PEASE
107 LAKE STREET

26 Boys, 28 Girls, Age 5 to 9 Create Annual Christmas Seals

Five to nine-year olds have the word.

Smoking is stinky. So is air pollution.

The message comes from the 54 youngsters whose paintings are reproduced on the 1977 Christmas Seals issued by the American Lung Association. Not only do these children find tobacco smoke offensive, they're concerned about parents who smoke, and critical of adult smokers who tell youngsters to stay away from cigarettes.

In letters to the Christmas Seal association, many also said they wanted to help work for clean air.

Tens of thousands of children in kindergarten and grades 1-3 participated in a nationwide project to collect paintings for reproduction on the seals issued annually



to fight lung disease, smoking and air pollution. Most did not know they were designing Christmas Seals. Teachers asked them merely to make big paintings, 24 x 18 inches, expressing their ideas about Christmas, in the project co-sponsored by the National Art Education Association.

A painting by a child in each of the 50 states, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia was selected for reproduction on the seals. Work by 26 boys and 28 girls is included on the final sheet of seals mailed to more than 60 million US homes and businesses by local lung associations. The paintings also appear in television announcements, on posters, billboards and letterheads.

During the holidays, the children join the elite ranks of artists whose work has been displayed in a major museum. The original artwork goes on view at the Library of Congress, Washington, DC, in November, then moves to the Children's Museum, Indianapolis.

Although snow is a favorite motif among children from Alabama to Alaska, some of the paintings reflect regional scenes. Agapito Flecha Delgado of Puerto Rico, painted the Three Kings bringing gifts to good children, a Latin tradition.

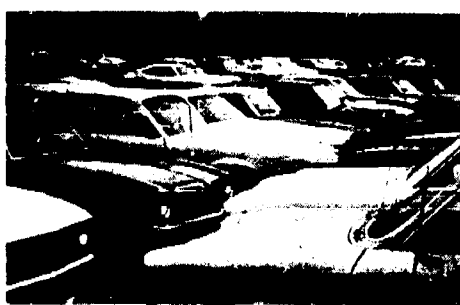
"My painting is of Santa Claus riding a whale in the Pacific ocean, with the rainbow in the background," says Jerald Lee of Hawaii. "I would like to see Santa riding a whale."

Mark Lybrand of South

Carolina said his painting included: (1) Santa and his reindeer, (2) snow, (3) a sidewalk, (4) a house, (5) a Christmas tree, (6) a wreath. All together, Mark said, his picture means that Christmas is a time of peace and joy.

Certainly Mark has good-will. He added this postscript. "My Christmas Seal is backwards. But that's okay."

After a successful venture two years ago, the American Lung Association decided to reproduce children's paintings on the annual Christmas Seals for 1977, 1978 and 1979. Information about the children's art project and extra sheets of seals are available from local lung associations, which also are accepting life and breath saving contributions.



SEASONAL...One sure sign that Christmas is very near may be found in the parking lot of most any shopping mall—wall-to-wall automobiles.

Silver Tinsel - Mystical Symbol

There is an old and appealing legend about Christmas tinsel. A poor peasant woman with many children was able to trim her tree with only the humblest things...nails and berries and whatever else she was able to hoard through the year. She worked late into the night making her tree as lovely as possible. Then while she was asleep spiders crawled from branch to branch leaving a trail of lacy webs over them all.

As a reward for her devotion the Christ Child blessed her tree and all the spider webs turned to glistening silver!



Merry Christmas

Everybody's preparing for the big Day. Hope it's merry in every way. Our thanks.

Southend Total & Greyhound Bus Depot

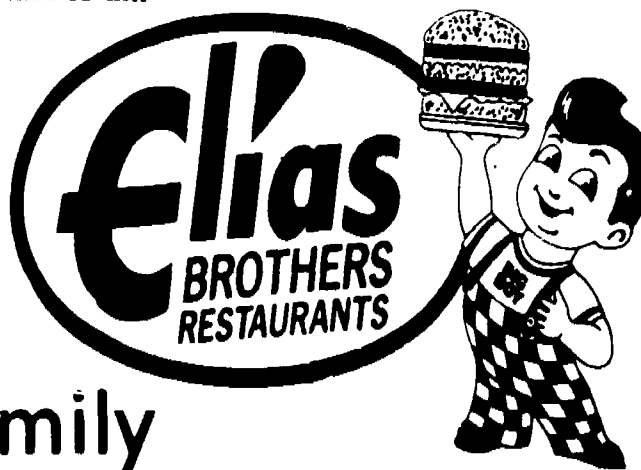


Merry Christmas

Arriving in the
flurry of this shimmering
season, Santa stops long enough on his rounds
to join us in hoping your holidays will
be a wonderful mix of everything
glittering and fun. Thanks to all.

**The Grayling
Big Boy Staff
and**

The Zielinski Family



**Elias
BROTHERS
RESTAURANTS**

Special effects with tree trims

Conserving energy? Watching electric bills? There are marvelous ways to decorate your Christmas tree and your house without using electric bulbs or tree lights. They're just as effective and so original you're bound to hear lots of compliments from friends and family!

★ Cover Styrofoam balls with glow-in-the-dark material, or shiny aluminum tape, available at art supply shops or your local 5 and 10 cent store.

★ Glittering balls, small mirrors, strips and shapes cut from aluminum foil and tinsel shimmer brightly on a tree.

★ Brightly colored ribbon bows and long strands of metallic silver and gold ribbons looped over branches glimmer and glow.

★ String yards of colored popcorn and drape through tree branches. Add brightly decorated cookies too.

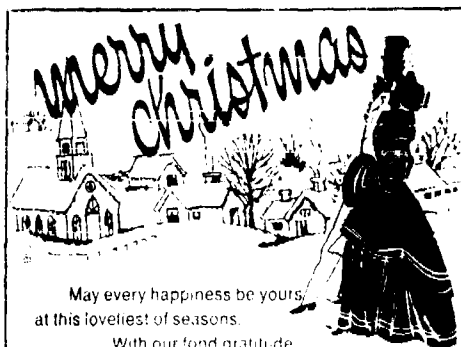
★ Use glowing candles in clusters around the house. They are even more attractive if the candle holders are varying heights.

★ Trim inside and outside trees with patterned and colorful strips and scraps of fabrics left in your sewing box. They're especially effective fluttering in the wind.

★ Remember feathered friends with a string of popcorn or cranberries strung on an outside tree. They'll chatter their thanks.

VERSATILE PATRON SAINT

In addition to doing yeoman's work at Christmas, St. Nicholas is charged the year round with being the patron saint of pawnbrokers, bankers, sailors, maids and schoolboys!



May every happiness be yours
at this loveliest of seasons.
With our fond gratitude

The Postmark

FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Participation makes for a happy family holiday. Everyone can help crack nuts or snap fruit for fruit cake, cookies and can do. Let each family member add his own personal note on Christmas cards to relatives, friends and neighbors. Take a family drive through the neighborhood to visit friends and enjoy the decorating efforts of others. Sing Christmas carols together.

EPIPHANY

Twelfth Night or Epiphany, when we observe January 6, commemorates the baptism of Jesus, and is known to have been observed as early as A.D. 181. The feast of the Epiphany was widely adopted by the 11th century. The observance grew to the extent that, in 9th century England King Alfred made it official by decreeing that the Christmas season should include Christmas day and the 12 days following.

Yuletide Turkey Can Be Just As Special The Second Time Around

An elaborate turkey dinner at Christmas time yields untold dividends in second day lunches and dinners. You'll enjoy these delicious menus... and so will your family. The best part is that they're so tempting you'll never think of them as "leftovers."

EASY TURKEY LOAF

6 cups turkey finely chopped
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped green pepper
1/2 cup fine dry bread crumbs
1 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup chili sauce
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper

Combine all ingredients, mix well. Turn into greased loaf pan — 9 X 5 X 3. Bake at 350° for half hour or until lightly

browned. Serve plain or with your favorite tomato sauce. 8 portions.

CRUNCHY COMPANY

3 cups diced cooked turkey
2 hard cooked eggs coarsely chopped
1/2 cup diced celery
1 tablespoon chopped onion
1 4 oz. can sliced mushrooms
1/2 cup blanched almond slivers
1 cup mayonnaise
1 10 1/2 oz. can cream of chicken soup
Crushed potato chips or chow mein noodles

Mix first 6 ingredients together. Stir mayonnaise and soup together; toss into turkey mixture. Turn into 2 quart casserole and sprinkle with noodles or potato chips. Bake in 350° oven for half hour or 'til dish

is bubbly. 6 hearty portions.

TURKEY FILLED POTATO BOATS

Scoop out baked Idaho potatoes leaving 1/2 inch shell, using half a large potato per portion. Mash and season scooped potato pulp and set aside. Heat diced turkey in cream sauce. (Use your judgment as to amount of sauce according to quantity of turkey you are using.) Fill scooped potato shells with turkey mixture. Fill pastry tube with mashed potato mix and squeeze to form a border around each potato boat. Bake in 400° oven until brown.

This is a great dish for youngsters since it is easy to manage and doesn't need any cutting up. Try a little grated cheese over the top of each boat before putting in the oven, for extra zip.

What Do I Do Now?



When Miss USA, Kim Tones, put her arms around him, 2-year-old Darryl Douglass forgot about Santa. The beauty and the babe got together to remind Americans that little lungs are especially vulnerable. "Give to Christmas Seals," says Kim. "Help the American Lung Association protect life and breath."

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A GUEST EDITORIAL

One of the best ways we know to spread goodwill during this holiday season is to give one of the cheery Christmas Seals designed by America's schoolchildren on your package or message.

Recipients will share the Christmas-like feeling. More important, they will know that you, like the American Lung Association, care about every breath they take.

Christmas Seals truly are a holiday tradition, dating in this country to 1907, when the first seal was issued to fight tuberculosis. Then, as now, the sponsoring organization was tackling a huge problem on many fronts. To defeat TB, the Christmas Seal people had to do much more than support medical research. They had to persuade the medical profession, government at all levels, and community leaders that the disease could be controlled. They had to mount massive educational programs to help TB victims obtain needed services, and the rest of the population to protect themselves.

The voluntary health agency remains unique in its wide-ranging health programs. Today, the lung association fights A.L.L. crippling lung diseases, at the same time waging a relentless battle to clean the air of lung-damaging pollutants and to persuade Americans to kick the cigarette habit. The task still requires far more than scientific laboratory research. Legislators must be made aware of environmental lung dangers, the health care system must be improved so that modern treatment is available to all, and the public must be helped to protect themselves. Through its educational programs, the association remains a catalyst to bring medical science, lung disease victims, community leaders and the public together.

Final victory in the battle against TB is in sight. Triumph over the other breath-robbers is more elusive. A generous contribution to Christmas Seals will help bring it closer.

HAVE A "MERRY CHRISTMAS"
— DRIVE WITH CARE —



Let there be Peace
throughout the world and
let us walk side by side in
love and abiding good will.

Thanks and

Merry Christmas

DAVIS JEWELRY



**Caught up in the magic of the holiday, young and old dream
dreams of fun and laughter and joy ever after! All these we wish
for you...and more. It's our way of saying thank you for
brightening our lives with your friendship.**

**Grayling Youth Booster Club
Board Members & Officers**

Christmas Blessings

and a

Healthy & Happy
New Year

to our Friends and Patrons

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Carpet Service

Dave — Jim — Marie

Festive Christmas Alphabet of Wonderful Gift Ideas...

In a quandry about what to give Aunt Mille this year? Or your husband's secretary?

Christmas shopping can be fun and much less exhausting if you know in advance pretty much what you want to give each one on that long list.

This alphabet of presents was designed to help you make your selections and save time and legwork. Have a happy shopping spree!

A Automatic electric blanket, after-ski boots, American Indian silver jewelry, art supplies kit, atlas of the world.

B Battery-powered grass shears, backgammon set, bubble-bath ensemble, bowling ball or basketball, books, bud vase, brandy snifters.

C Camera and accessories, circular saw, calculator, compass, ceramic baking dish with silver-plated holder, crystal bowl or figurine.

D Digital watch, diamond heart pendant, decorated porcelain or silver thimble, down-filled parka, doll, dart board.

E Enamelled compact or cigarette case, electronic system camera, erector set, evening bag, eyeglass caddy, electric crepe maker.

F Frames, fur accessories, foam-filled blocks for small fry, field glasses, figure skates, finger paints, fishing gear, filmy nightgown, fruit cake, fragrance set.

G Golf clubs, gourmet foods basket, glass candle holders with scented candles, greenhouse windows, glamorous caftan, gold mesh or chain necklace, gingerbread.

H Hand puppets, hiking boots, home movie camera, hockey stick, historical novel, hobby horse, homemade cookies.

I Ice boat, identification tag chain necklace, incense burner, Indian arts and crafts, ivory bracelet, Italian cook book, information games, ice bucket and tongs.

J Jewelry box, jam pots in colorful pottery, Jacuzzi portable whirlpool bath, jack-in-the-box, jade charm pendant, Japanese bonsai plant, jig-saw puzzle.

K Keyboard organ, key ring with monogrammed disc, kitchen utensils tied with a big bow, kite kit.

L Leather card case, lounging robe, luggage, lady-doctor doll kit, lace lingerie, lavender sachet, lebkuchen Christmas cookies.

M Marvelous mink coat, magazine rack, monogrammed tennis balls, microwave oven, makeup brushes in their own holder, magnetic scrabble travel set, museum membership, monogrammed stationery, music box, miniature cars.

N Needlepoint kit, napkin rings, nut dish in silver, notepad, nightshirt, news magazine subscription.

O Old time telephone, Oriental rug, oversized coffee cups or mugs, orchid plant, outboard motor, ocarina.

P Portable TV, pinball game, photo album, painting, personal sauna, pen and pencil set, planters, pomander balls, punch bowl set, push-pull toys.

Q Quartz clock, quiche pan with recipes, quilts, quilt pen in antique holder, quilting kit, quart size thermos decorated with tennis ball designs, quiz games.

R Raggedy Ann doll, relish server, rain scarf, rug making kit, rattan hanging chair for in or out-of-doors, recording of favorite musical artists, rectangular magnifying glass with handle, roller skates, rock sculpture kit.

S Silver cake server, soft stuffed animals, sewing machine, squash racket, seashell Christmas tree decorations, soldering gun kit, slide projector, sno-mobile.

T Toy calculator that teaches adding and subtracting, tea cart for serving, tankards for Yuletide grog, tennis gear, typewriter, terrarium.

U Umbrella, underwater camera equipment, upright piano, underwear.

V Vinyl slicker for the rain, velvet evening bag, V-neck pull-over, vegetarian cook book, vanity case for travel, velvet terry robe, Venetian glass vase or bowl.

W Warm-up suit for jogger or tennis buff, wine rack, write-in-the-dark pen with built in flashlight, wok, water-skis.

X Xylophone kit, x-tra special treats, x-otic soap.

Y Yardstick in clear lucite, yacht chair with canvas seat.

Z Zoris (Japanese thong sandals), zippered golf jacket, zebra striped rug, zoology book.

There it is...from A to Z!



We're sure your holidays will be filled with the bright harmony that only Christmas brings. A resounding note of thanks for your patronage.

Olson's of Grayling &
the Funny Farm Boutique

The Epiphany Has Special Meaning

Many of who have long heard the phrase "On the twelfth day of Christmas..." do not know what it means. Twelfth Night, or Epiphany, means "appearance" and the holiday commemorates three "proofs" of Christ's divinity, each occurring on that date—six days after Christmas. These were the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Christ, and the first miracle at Cana where water was changed to wine.

Traditions have grown up around the Epiphany in various parts of the world. For Latin Americans, it is a solemn festival as well as beginning of the pre-Lenten carnival season. Mexicans celebrate with feasting, candlelight processions and fireworks. In the United States, Christmas greenery is burned on Epiphany.

THE ULTIMATE TOUCH
Christmas card senders who want to complete the seasonal appearance of their greetings are using postmarks from Christmas, Florida; Santa Claus, Indiana; Snowball, Arkansas; and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. They send their addressed cards to the postmasters for mailing and postmarking.



At Christmas
we think of
you with
sincere
appreciation
and wish
you every
happiness.

LENG'S
GARAGE
FREDERIC



GUESSING GAME. One way to while away the last few days before Christmas is to play the guessing game, examining packages, shaking them to see if they rattle, how heavy they are, etc., all to determine if one is really getting the gift requested of Santa.



**Hawaiian
TREAT**
Fruits, nuts, cookies and sweets delight the hearts of children everywhere at Christmas. Here, with a how-to our 50th state, is the recipe for a hot bread which should be of interest to the family cook.

Hawaiian Nut Bread
(Makes 1 loaf)
2 eggs
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup melted shortening
2 cups sifted all-purpose flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup crushed canned pineapple (do not drain)
Beat eggs and sugar together, add shortening. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Add dry ingredients to first mixture and blend. Add nuts and pineapple. Stir just enough to combine. Pour batter into a greased 4x8-inch loaf pan. Bake in a moderate (350 F.) oven for one hour. Let loaf cool thoroughly before slicing.



MONTGOMERY WARDS
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May your roads be clear
Your fortunes wide,
And those you love
Be at your side.

Have a
Merry Christmas

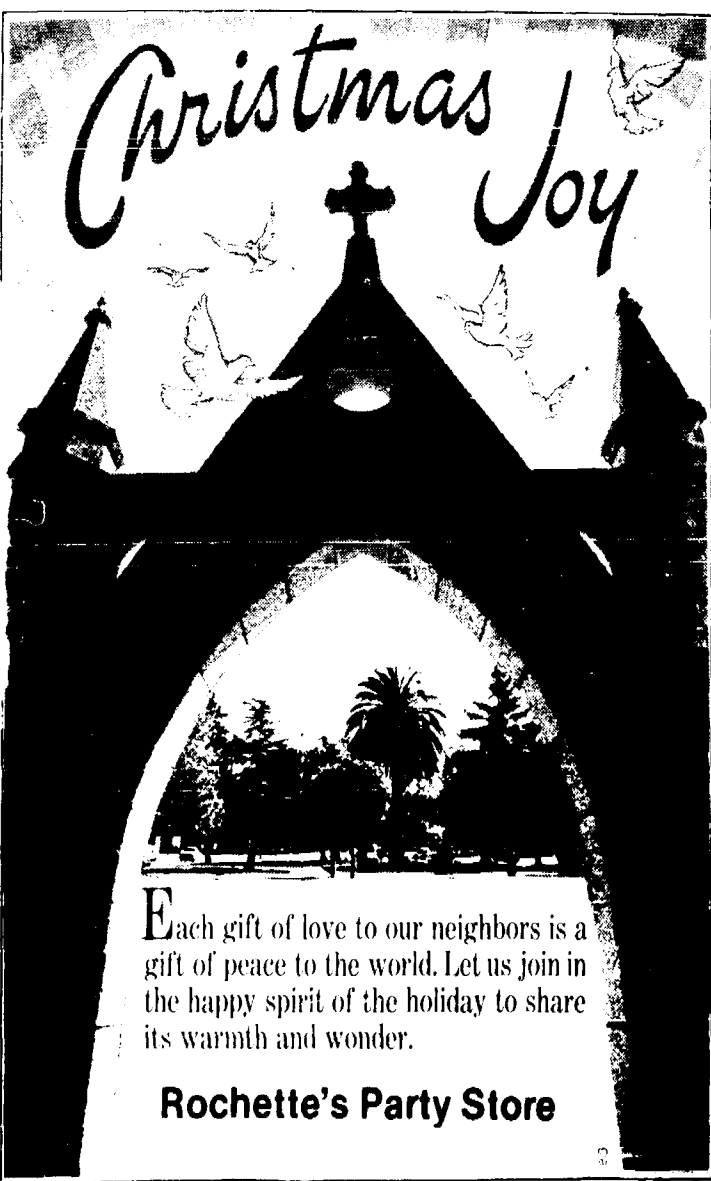
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In tune with our holiday wishes
for you are our warm thanks
and deep appreciation.

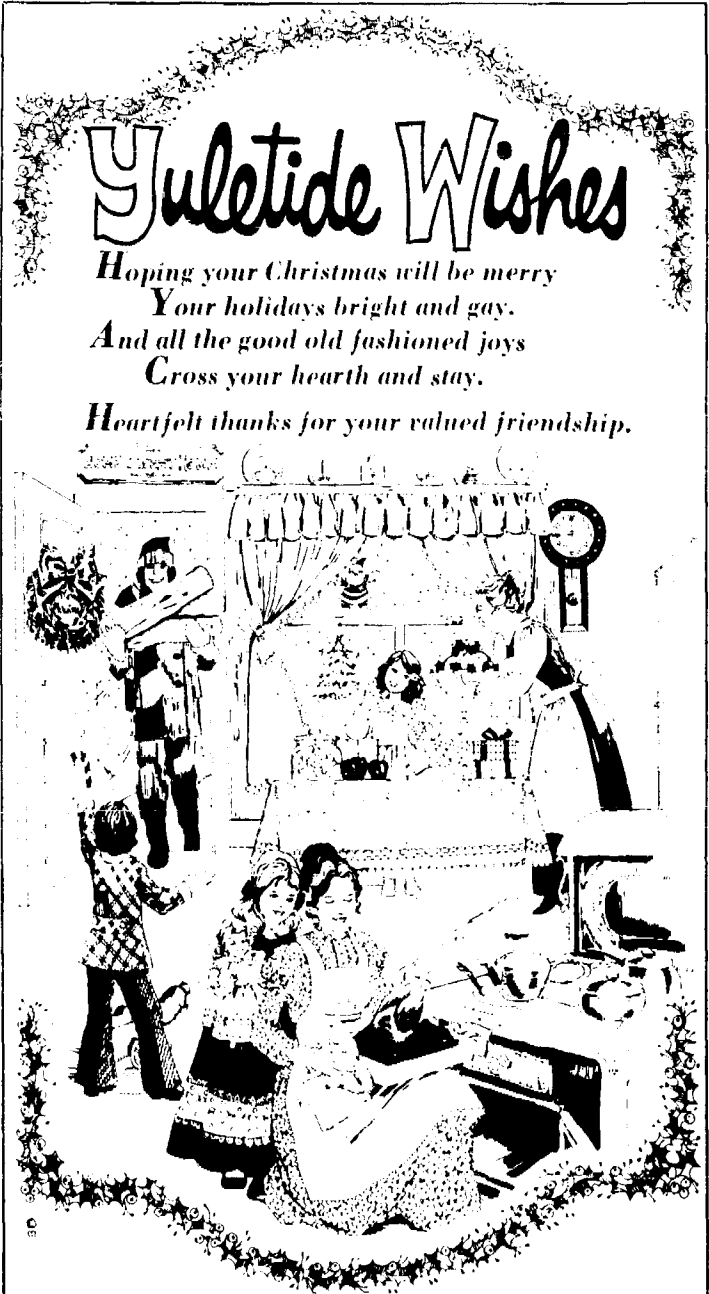
Hubbard's Barber Shop

Russ & Donna Hubbard



Each gift of love to our neighbors is a gift of peace to the world. Let us join in the happy spirit of the holiday to share its warmth and wonder.

Rochette's Party Store



Yuletide Wishes

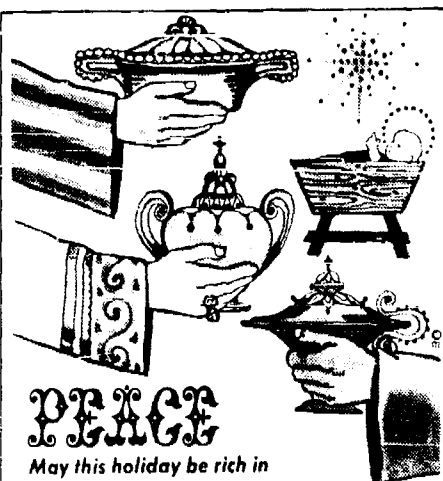
Hoping your Christmas will be merry
Your holidays bright and gay,
And all the good old fashioned joys
Cross your hearth and stay.

Heartfelt thanks for your valued friendship.

Grayling Insurance Agency



WERT'S LONE PINE IN



PEACE

May this holiday be rich in brotherhood. We're grateful to you.

SCHEER MOTORS, INC.



A Joyful Christmas

It's great to keep in touch with those who mean so much! Wishing you a wonderful holiday!

McWILLIAMS BARBER SHOP

Colorful Wrap-Up Shows Individuality

A gift expresses you as uniquely as the way you sign your name. Your taste, creativity, even your sense of humor combine to make each gift a personal creation.

Wrapping your gifts needn't leave you at loose ends. Here are some basic guidelines for your Christmas wrap-up.

Use a large, flat surface that will hold gift wrap supplies, in an area that you can work in undisturbed. If you have a dining table, use it and try to keep inquisitive prowlers away. Gather paper, ribbons, trims, stickers, double sided tape, scissors and gift tags together before you start.

Before wrapping, cut the paper to the right size. Cut paper wide enough to overlap slightly on girth of package and long enough to overlap again when ends are turned down. Center the gift upside down on cut paper. Turn the overlapping piece under and tape securely. Fasten ends by folding sides in, the top flap down and the bottom flap up. Secure with tape, seals or gift trim.

For odd shaped items such as tricycles, portable televisions, and doll houses, slip them into colored plastic gift bags and dress up with a big bow and candy cane.

For gifts you will be mailing, it is important to double-wrap. To protect your gift, place it in a larger cardboard box surrounded by crumpled newspaper. An inverted box lid will keep the box from being crushed. When mailing a small, breakable item place it in a well padded metal tin which can then be placed in a padded cardboard shipping box. Wrap the shipping box with decorated parcel post paper and parcel post gift labels. Tie securely with twine or cord, wrapping the twine around the package twice in both directions. Tie twine at each intersection.

Wrap large packages first, then use leftover papers and trims for smaller gifts. Other leftover pieces and scraps can be used for children's crafts, collages.

Use Tree Lights With Special Care

Christmas tree lights, while beautiful, can be dangerous if used carelessly.

Never allow children to play with lights. Be sure that all sockets contain a bulb. Check light strings before you use them. Discard or repair broken sockets or worn insulation. Never put lights on metal foil trees.

Check often to be sure bulbs do not touch branches, needles or flammable decorations.

Falling needles indicate the tree is drying out and could become a fire hazard.

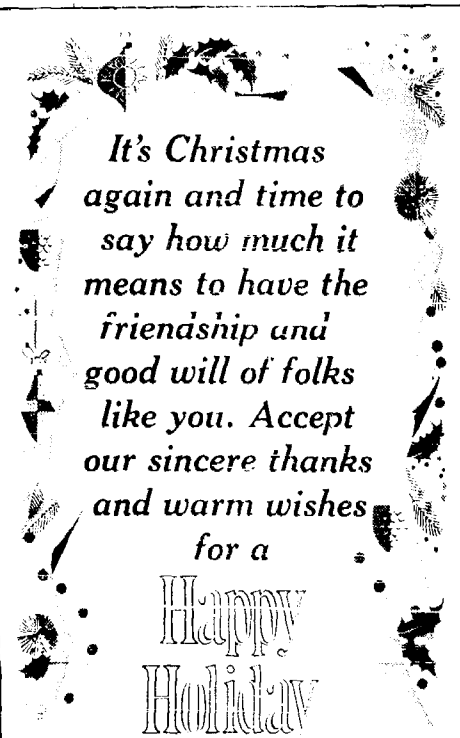
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Wishing you much happiness and hoping your dreams will all come true. We say "thanks" for your continuing faith in us.

AMERICAN LEGION

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It's Christmas again and time to say how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you. Accept our sincere thanks and warm wishes for a

Happy Holiday

Goodale's Bakery

Christmas GREETINGS



Remembrance, like a glowing candle, shines brightest at Christmas. We are thinking of you dear friends, and wishing you every happiness.

JACK MILLIKIN CONSTRUCTION

Start With Lemon Aid

Unlike most other fruits lemons have no season and there is practically no end to the uses to which they can be put. Their bright sunny color will accent any fruit bowl or centerpiece, but did you know...

You get more juice out of a lemon when it's at room temperature and if you roll it on a table or counter top before squeezing?

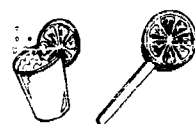


A handy convenient supply of lemon juice is always at your fingertips. Roll a lemon over a counter top and then poke a hole in one end with a toothpick. Squeeze... out comes your juice. Replace toothpick and store in refrigerator for future use.

Lemons will stay fresh for about 2 weeks at room temperature and up to 6 weeks when refrigerated.

Caught short with a recipe calling for buttermilk? Combine 1 tablespoon lemon juice with approximately 1 cup of milk. Let stand for 5 minutes and there you have it!

Dip fresh avocados, bananas, and apples in lemon juice to keep them from turning black.



For a refreshing pick-me-up or thirst quencher try a quick squeeze of lemon in a glass of carbonated water.

Insert an ice cream pop stick into a thick slice of lemon for an original swizzle stick in iced tea, lemonade or any tall drink.

Slim slivers of lemon peel frozen into ice cubes add a pretty and festive touch to party punch.

Saw-toothed halves or thin, curled strips of lemon peel make piquant holiday garnishes on food platters.

And... last but surely not least... toss used lemons into your garbage disposal to help keep it clean and fresh smelling.

CRIB SCENE

The Christmas Crib is traced back to the little village of Greccio, Italy. There, in the village church, St. Francis of Assisi constructed a crude presentation of the stable scene at Bethlehem, using live animals and real people. For a long time, crib scenes were seen only in churches. The custom spread to homes, particularly in Italy where families compete to see who can display the best crib scene.



That magical Christmas feeling. And warm, lasting glow. Come from thanking the friends. We're so happy to know!

Sorenson Agency and Associates, Inc.



Christmas Greetings

Our wish is that this season be filled with inner peace for you. Thanks, loyal patrons.

Hoerl's Decorating

DOC & DARLENE LATUSZEK



THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

May Christmas bring friends to your fireside and peace to your home. In the glow of your friendship we extend sincere thanks.

MILLER'S HARDWARE

HOLIDAY GREETINGS



Hoping your holidays will be shining, filled with all the wonderful things that spell CHRISTMAS!

Ole Dam Road Party Store

Thanks to our many friends who have made our new business very successful. BARB & ORRIS

the MAGIC of CHRISTMAS

As Santa jingles your way bringing all the treasures of the holiday, we join him in wishing you a host of bright Christmas memories to shine through this merry, merry season.



DAWSON'S

GREETINGS
May the glow of
Christmas shine on you
and your loved ones.



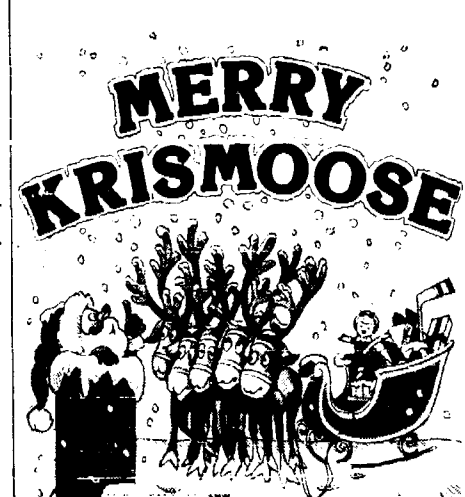
Sunburst Memorials
Sorenson Funeral Home
Derek McEvers — Owner & Director

for Christmas
Wishing you the
finest joys of a
bright and happy
Christmas ...
with much
appreciation.



**GRAYLING OFFICE
SUPPLY**

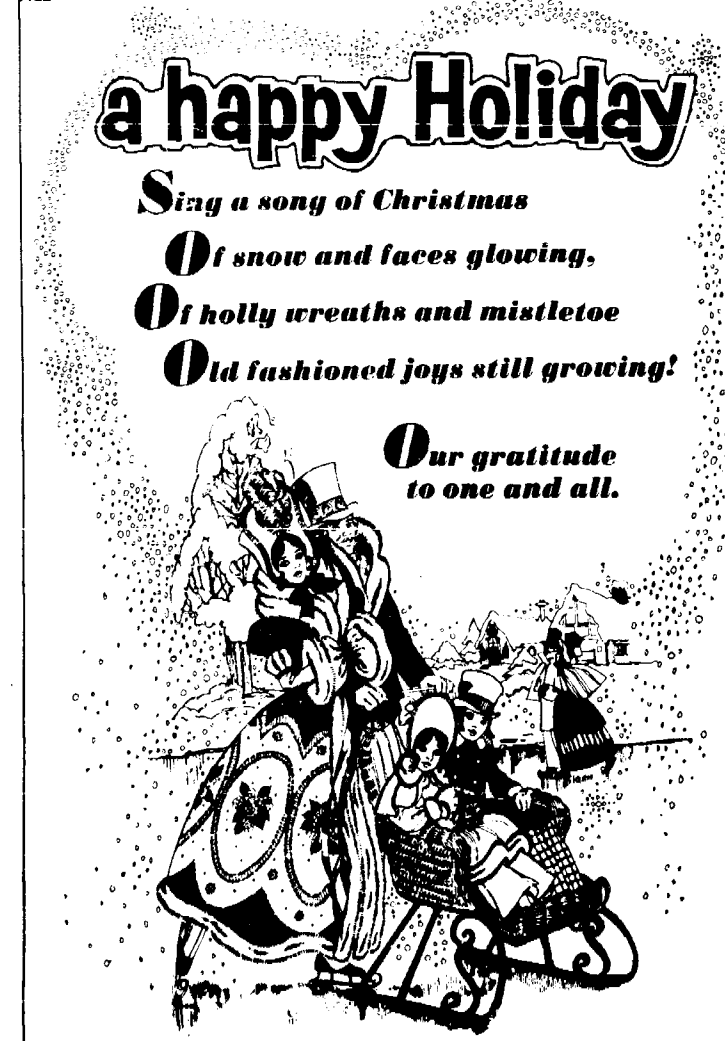
**MERRY
KRISMOOSE**



We're hoping the holidays
will be packed
with love and laughter
for our thoughtful
friends and patrons!

Al's Shirt Shop

a happy Holiday
Sing a song of Christmas
Of snow and faces glowing,
Of holly wreaths and mistletoe
Old fashioned joys still growing!
Our gratitude
to one and all.



Clair's Standard Service

**SANTA ON THE
UNITED
STATES**

Three men are generally
credited with popularizing the
image of Santa Clause as we
know him in the United States.
In 1809 Washington Irving's
"Knickerbocker History of New
York" contained 25 references to
the great gift giver, picturing
him in a "low-brimmed hat" and
Flemish trunk hose, smoking a
pipe as he rode over rooftops
dropping gifts down the chimney.
Clement Clark Moore took
Santa from the horse-drawn
sleigh, exchanging the horses for
eight tiny reindeer and por-
traying Santa as a jolly old gent,
with a "little round belly", "dim-
ples how merry" and a nose "like
a cherry".
Thomas Nast, the great po-
litical cartoonist made the fi-
nal changes about 1863. He kept
the pipe, beard and furs—but
greatly enlarged Santa's "little
round belly", making it the BIG
round belly with which he is pic-
tured today.

**UNORDERED
GIFTS**

Every year many of us receive
a number of "unordered" items
through the mails shortly before
Christmas—such things as
Christmas cards, pen and pencil
sets, holiday envelope stickers,
key rings, gift ties, etc. Later, a
bill or a plea for a "Donation" is
followed with the message the
money will be given over to a
worthy cause.
Some of these solicitations are
for worthy causes. Others are
from someone trying to make a
quick buck. What can you do about
it?
Don't give unless you know
where your money is going. If it
is a legitimate cause, your Cham-
ber of Commerce or Better
Business Bureau will be able to
tell you. If it is a worthy cause
and you wish to participate, pay
by check and keep the cancelled
check.
If you doubt the cause is
legitimate, or just don't wish to
participate, mark the item
"refused" and return it to the
Post Office. Even if you opened it
before you realized who was in-
side, you can rewrap it in the
original wrapping as best you
can, write "refused" and return
it to the Post Office.
Whether you open the package
or not, you don't have to pay for
it. You are under no obligation to
return it as "refused"—but it's a
good idea to do so. This will
greatly discourage further ship-
ments to you from the same com-
pany.

**CHRISTMAS STILL
MOST IMPORTANT**
According to a survey
conducted in thirty cities,
Christmas is the most
meaningful and important
holiday to Americans. The
study also reports that the
values of Christmas are as
profound as ever and there
are no signs of youthful
anti-traditionalism.

**A
merry
Christmas**



Choirs are singing
joyous refrains. A
harmonious Yule ... and
our thanks to one and all.

New Pioneer Shop

Greetings
Shaving our greetings
down to their most
meaningful message ...
sincere appreciation
for your patronage and best
wishes for the
merriest Christmas ever!



**AuBrey's Barber
Shop**

**May JOY,
LOVE, HOPE
and PEACE
light your
Holidays**



a merry Christmas

Auman's House of Catering
2123 So. M'Ilkin Road — Grayling
RESERVATIONS BEING TAKEN NOW FOR
Wedding Parties • Banquets
Display Shows • Conventions
Handling all size groups
Capacity 400
PHONE: 348-2431 or 348-8046

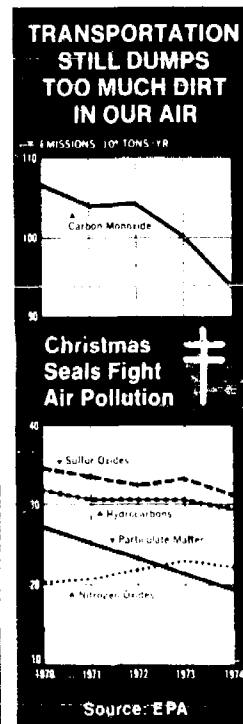
**No Snow Fell
On Bethlehem**
Because snow scenes are so
popular in Christmas illus-
trations, children often ask if there
was snow in Bethlehem on the
night Christ was born.
It is almost certain there was
no snow on that Holy Night. If
anything, there could have been
rain, as December 25 falls in the
midst of the rainy season in
Bethlehem.



If you select a frozen turkey for
Christmas—as most of us
do—protect flavor and quality
by taking care when you thaw the
bird for cooking.
The best place to thaw a frozen
turkey is in the refrigerator.
When you thaw a bird at room
temperature, the outside warms
up while the inside is still frozen.
Bacteria may grow on the
thawed areas and could cause
spoilage.
Usual thawing time in the
refrigerator for a large bird is
two to three days. You can speed
up the process by placing the
frozen bird, unwrapped, in a pan
of cold water. Change the water
frequently and thawing time will
be two to six hours—depending
upon size of the turkey.

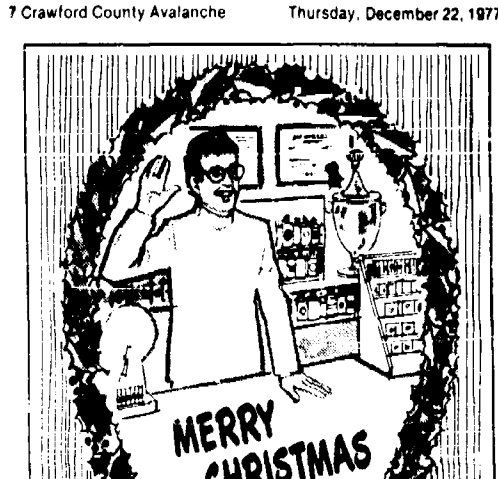


HO HUM...What kind of a
deal is this, anyway, boss? My
dog biscuits have always been
served on a tin plate.



7 Crawford County Avalanche Thursday, December 22, 1977


**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**



We're dispensing hearty doses
of good health, good times,
and good cheer to our many
friends. Your loyalty and trust
are deeply appreciated.

MAC'S DRUG STORE

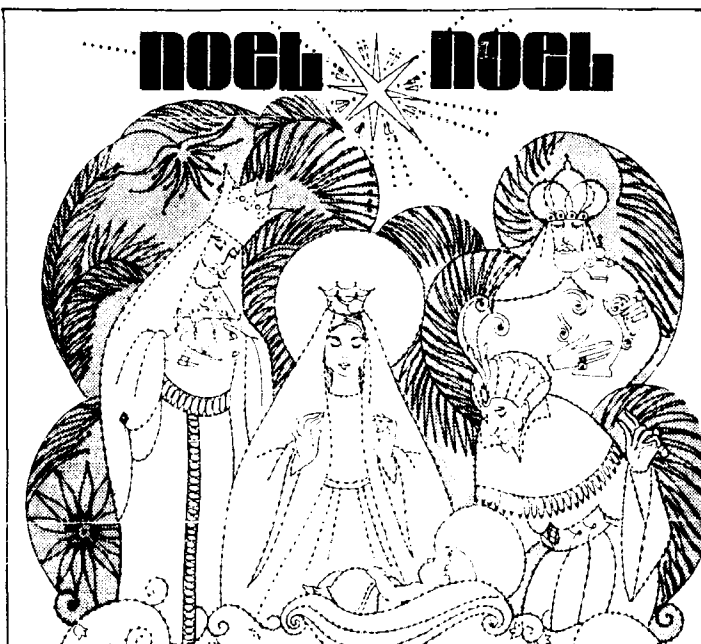
PEACE ON EARTH



Offering a prayer of thanks and
hoping that the beauty of the Holy Birth
will surround you at Christmastide.

**Clyde's
Plumbing & Heating**

noel noel



May your Christmas be filled with the
serenity and quiet contentment that
is born in the Spirit. And may all your
days be graced with
health, happiness, peace
and our deep gratitude.

ART CLOUGH "REAL ESTATE"

Warm Wishes

Blazing wishes for a Happy Yuletide! Warm thanks.



Crawford County Public Transit

A Word To The Wise... Selecting Safer Toys

Awareness on the part of holiday buyers can help eliminate needless accidents with poorly constructed toys. These guidelines will help responsible Christmas shoppers make safe selections.

Be sure the toy is suitable to the child's age, and ability and that the instructions are easy to follow.

Toys that release small objects if broken are dangerous. Tiny toys or dolls with button eyes, or pieces that can come loose easily, should be avoided as gifts for younger children. A small child could choke on any of these.

Be on the alert for sharp edges and corners or pointed objects.

Small fingers could be trapped in small, tight spaces. Check for these.

Most toys, games and dolls are packaged by the time they reach the store. Examine the open sample carefully before making your selection. You'll be happy you did!

THE LEGEND OF

SAINT NICOLAS



The legend of Saint Nicholas is, of course, centuries old, and began in Europe. The story had its beginning in the semitropical city of Patara, Turkey, where St. Nicholas was born and where he lived and died. Until after his death, when his remains were taken by Italian sailors to Bari, Italy. St. Nicholas traveled little, never venturing more than a few miles from his native region.

It was the goodness and generosity of St. Nicholas which led him to become the patron saint of many countries, of all boys, and of sailors.

Many legends concerning St. Nicholas, with re-telling have become a bit vague and clouded, but some things are certain: he was a man of wealth, he was generous and kind, and he was at one time Bishop of Myra.

Three Dwarves

What is generally believed to be St. Nicholas first and best-known act of kindness was the presentation of dowries to the three daughters of a poor nobleman. According to the story, St. Nicholas learned that the poor girls had decided among themselves that one of them would sacrifice herself into slavery in order that the two others could marry in honor. On separate occasions, St. Nicholas tossed three bags of gold into each girl's window, so that all three were married with honor, and in the usual fashion, lived happily ever after.

St. Nicholas died in 342, after being imprisoned by the Roman Emperor Diocletian and released by the first Christian emperor, Constantine.

HOW TO SAY Merry Christmas



As Christmas is the most universally celebrated of all world holidays, so is the expression "Merry Christmas," the most universal of all greetings. Here is an interesting game based upon this Yuletide salutation. See if you can match the greeting at left with the proper language on the right.

- | | |
|---------------------|------------|
| 1. Buon Natale! | Hawaiian |
| 2. Glad Jule! | Japanese |
| 3. Tin Hoo Nian! | Italian |
| 4. Christyina! | Chinese |
| 5. Feliz Natal! | Greek |
| 6. Joyeux Noel! | Portuguese |
| 7. Kingle Shinnen! | Swedish |
| 8. Mene Kalikimaka! | French |

ANSWERS: 1. Italian; 2. Swedish; 3. Chinese; 4. Greek; 5. Portuguese; 6. French; 7. Japanese; 8. Hawaiian.

SAFE LIGHTS

If you choose to use a metallic artificial tree, use indirect spot lighting. Never hang sets of lights on a metallic tree. If your artificial tree has built-in electric system, be sure it carries the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) label. Never leave lights burning when you leave the house or retire for the night.

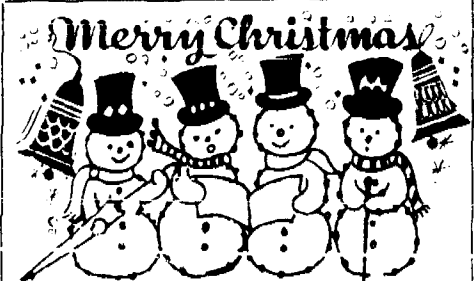
MUM'S THE WORD

Clay potted chrysanthemums make especially appealing Christmas gifts. They are long-lasting and their varied colors add to the festivity of the season. Keep mum plants in bright light or full sun, and never let the soil in the pot dry out completely.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To All My Friends of Grayling... I Wish All Of You Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Else Andersen



Washing your holiday gifts with good wishes and our thanks.

BILL'S CLEANERS

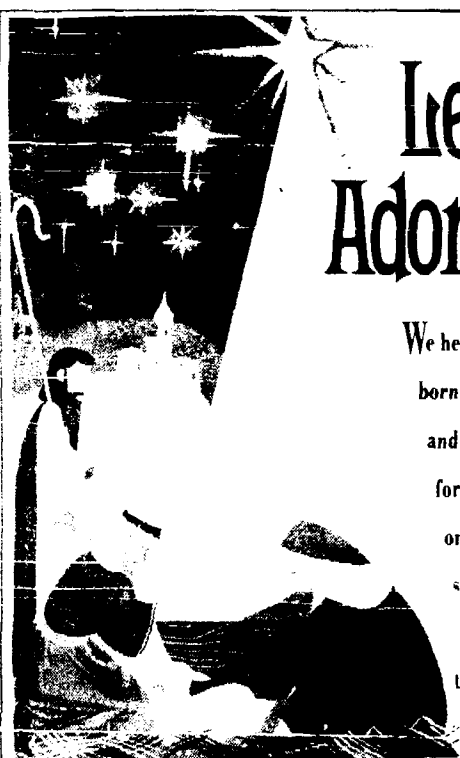
100 Michigan Ave. - Downtown Grayling - 348-2121

May the sweet joys of Christmas fill your heart! Jumping at the opportunity to express our thanks.



The Carousel

Downtown Grayling



Let us Adore Him

We herald the Child born in the manger and ask His blessing for you and your loved ones. In the profound spirit of the Yuletide we extend sincere thanks to our friends.

THE GRAYLING HOUSE

Professor Probably Trimmed First Tree

No one is sure when the first Christmas tree appeared in America. Many believe the credit belongs to Charles Follen, a German professor who taught at Harvard. In 1832, he trimmed a tree for his small son. The following year, other Bostonians followed suit.

Later, trees became more popular when Prince Albert, German-born consort of Queen Victoria popularized the Christmas tree in England by setting one up in Windsor Castle. Many Americans, eager to copy their sophisticated British cousins, trimmed a tree of their own.

The big boost came as late as 1845 when the best-selling "Kris Kringle's Christmas Tree" showed Americans how a Christmas tree should properly be decorated.

Check Warranty On Appliance Gifts

If you choose a small appliance as a gift item, check the "guarantee" or "warranty" provided by the manufacturer. If a product mentions the word "guarantee," the label should clearly tell what the guarantee includes. Frequently adjustments are made on the basis of the amount of time the appliance has been used and upon list price rather than actual cost.

Pay special attention to the guarantees on larger and more expensive home appliances. Keep these in a safe place, ready for reference and use as needed.

CHRISTMAS COLORS

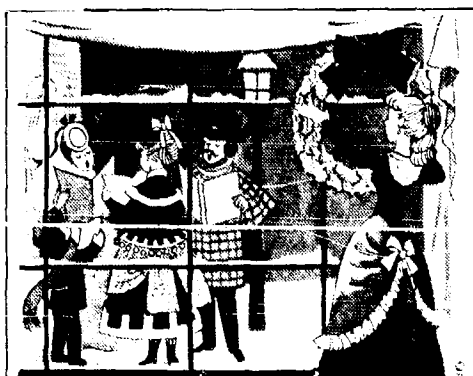
You can work the bright red and green colors of the Christmas season into your decorating scheme quickly and easily by scattering foam rubber throw pillows on your sofa and chairs. The pillows come in sleek felt fabrics that make the colors—especially red—stand out brilliantly.

THIS IS A BREATHING EXERCISE



All kids need exercise. Children with asthma often fear active play, which can bring on attacks. Blowing styrofoam boats across the floor is a breathing exercise which helps these youngsters learn to control wheezing attacks. Some even learn karate! The Christmas Seal People are helping children and parents to understand asthma. To use new medicines and techniques which make it possible for kids with asthma to lead normal active lives.

AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION



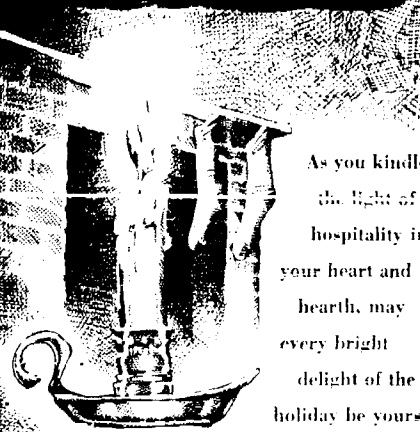
Christmas

Fill this season with laughter, good will and song. Warm thanks from us, to all

Down River

True Value Hardware

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

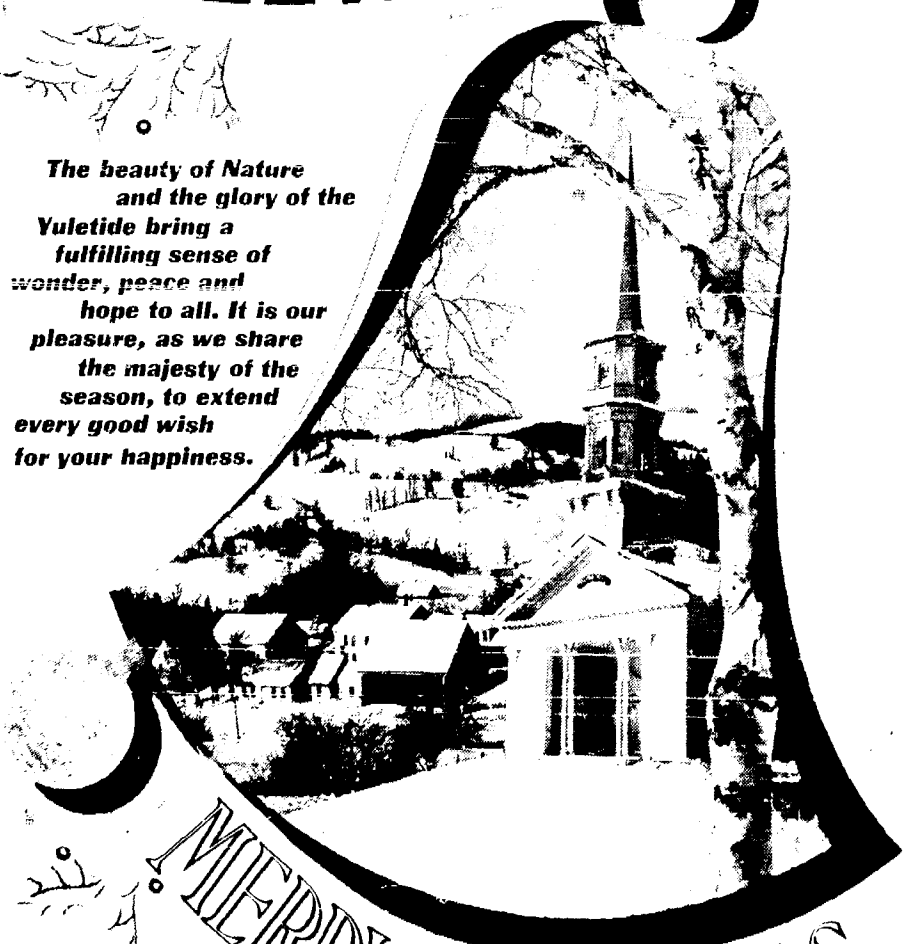


As you kindle the light of hospitality in your heart and hearth, may every bright delight of the holiday be yours.

Grayling Reel Co., inc.

GREETINGS

The beauty of Nature and the glory of the Yuletide bring a fulfilling sense of wonder, peace and hope to all. It is our pleasure, as we share the majesty of the season, to extend every good wish for your happiness.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

LeRoy and Sally Papendick

Merry Christmas

May you and your family share

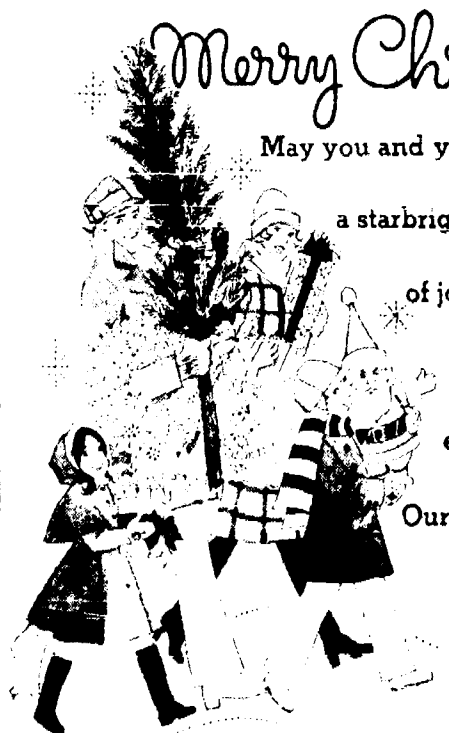
a starbright Christmas full

of joy and merriment,

in the warmth

each other's love!

Our thanks to you all.



Butter & Grayling Window & Door Co.

Bill, Ruth, Bill & Ron



The Centennial Holiday Festivities. A Christmas Package Party, New York City. Woodcut illustration from Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper, January 13, 1877. Courtesy of The New York Historical Society.



The Christmas Tree. Wood engraving from drawing by Winslow Homer, from Harper's Weekly, December 25, 1856. Courtesy of The New York Historical Society.

Community Spirit Greet A Joyous Christmas Season

Christmas! The season of music and wonder is filled with a powerful kind of magic. A magic that is expressed in many ways... in the merriment of its parties and celebrations, the contentment of hearth and home, the heartwarming tradition of gift giving and receiving, the dazzle and brilliance of its holy meaning.

Excitement grows as each new sign or symbol of this cherished holiday appears. Revels begin for Nativity plays at schools. Christmas cards are addressed and closets are piled high with mysterious packages. Store windows glisten with dazzling displays and forests of fir and spruce appear on every corner. Parties are planned and tempting delights are cooked and baked. Carolers appear filling the air with lilting holiday tunes and the local community tree is decorated and lit. Finally ornaments are tenderly and nostalgically unpacked, stockings are hung with anticipation. Surely those are sleigh bells jingling faintly in the distance!

The many legends that surround Christmas add to its aura of magic and mystery. If bees can hum psalms, animals speak and cattle kneel in their stables, then surely any miracle happening is possible! And so the excitement mounts!

This wonderful time of merriment is also one of profound reverence. Churches in cities and country byways hold midnight services to celebrate the humble birth of Christ. It is the season of worship and rejoicing. Set apart by its majesty, mood, and magic, Christmas stands eternally outside time.

As Christmas day approaches it seems that everyone is waiting for something to happen! All are caught up in the spirit of what-might-be. At long last we know what all the preparation and waiting means... the miracle of Christ's birth which happened almost two thousand years ago, happens again in the hearts of people everywhere!

Christmas is cherished as a religious holiday of unparalleled importance, honoring the birth of Jesus Christ, by Christians the world over.

For those of other faiths, this beloved holiday happily expresses universal good will, cheer and the spirit of brotherhood.

And so Christmas, that magical season of music and wonder, belongs to everyone!



Christmas Scene from Godey's Lady's Book, December 1850. Courtesy of The Museum of The City of New York.

Shop Early For Holiday Bargains

You can save on Christmas gift purchases if you shop wisely, shop early.

Wise shoppers do their Christmas buying year-round, taking advantage of store "sales" and "specials", storing purchases away until the holiday.

Buying merchandise that is marked down or "on sale" is a good idea, with only one drawback. You must package it in a carton that does not bear the store name, as sale merchandise cannot be returned or exchanged. Clothing can be a risk, unless you are careful about getting the correct size in an item that will suit the taste of the recipient. Small appliances, toys and similar items are a better bet than clothing where price-reduced merchandise is concerned.

You can also get more for your gift money by presenting gift certificates. The recipient then can make the purchase he or she desires, during after-Christmas store sales.

'The Cricket' Instant Hit

By far the best remembered work of Charles Dickens is "The Christmas Carol" — but such was not the case during his lifetime.

In 1845 Dickens penned "The Cricket on the Hearth," touching story of a father's attempts to shield his blind daughter from the realities of life. Shortly after it appeared in print more than a dozen theatres in London were presenting dramatic versions of "The Cricket."

Birth Dated Christian Era

Christmas, 1976 A.D. — most of us know this means Christmas 1976, "in the year of our Lord." We have been using the A.D. notation since Charles III of Germany attached the symbolism to the years at his reign in 800.

The "B.C." — Before Christ — notation came earlier, in the year 532, the idea of a monk who wished to mark the beginning of the Christian era.

According to calculations, the Christian era began on January 1 in the middle of the fourth year of the 194th Olympiad, the 753rd year of the building of Rome, and in 4714 of the Julian Period.

The Julian Period was devised in 1583 A.D. by Joseph Scaliger, who multiplied the lunar cycle 19, solar cycle 28 and the Roman indication 15.

Perhaps the earliest method of marking time was devised by the Egyptians, about 4,000 B.C. — based on the Mundane Era of Alexander and calculating the "beginning" to be about 5502 B.C.



Great peace
have they that love. Trumpeting
our wishes that all the
seasons of your life will be
filled with peace and love.

We appreciate your faith in us.

**MARILYN'S HAIR
BOUTIQUE**



**A MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ALL**

From all of us at:

**Hatt's Adult
Foster Home**

Dale & June Hatt
Inez Collens
Nellie Parkinson
Velma Dimond

Ivy Hatt
Iva McNeill
Ruth Schilbe
Clara McGurn

and
Ginger Reichelderfer
Penny Sue Winslow

**Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year**

to Our

Friends and Family

Pat and Margie Harwood

Santa Remembers Southpaws

Many designers are creating accessories and tools for left-handed people. Increasingly aware of the problems southpaws encounter daily in a right-handed world, they've come up with some special, new items. Keep these in mind for gifts... your left-handed friends will love you!

Books are available for "lefties" who want to learn to knit, play the guitar or become adept at calligraphy. There's even a book just about southpaws! You'll find special scissors, left-handed jar and can openers, pocket knives, address books and brushes for pet grooming, too!



Create an exciting centerpiece

A beautiful setting adds glamour to holiday entertaining and serves as a colorful accent to your table and menu. Seasonal decorations are easy to put together. Try one of these.

Stand red jumbo candles of varied heights in a group at the center of your table. Twine a garland of greens, oversized pine cones and nuts around them, extending the garland into the table beyond the candles. Wire greens and pine cones together and using florist's clay, stick clusters of nuts together and attach.

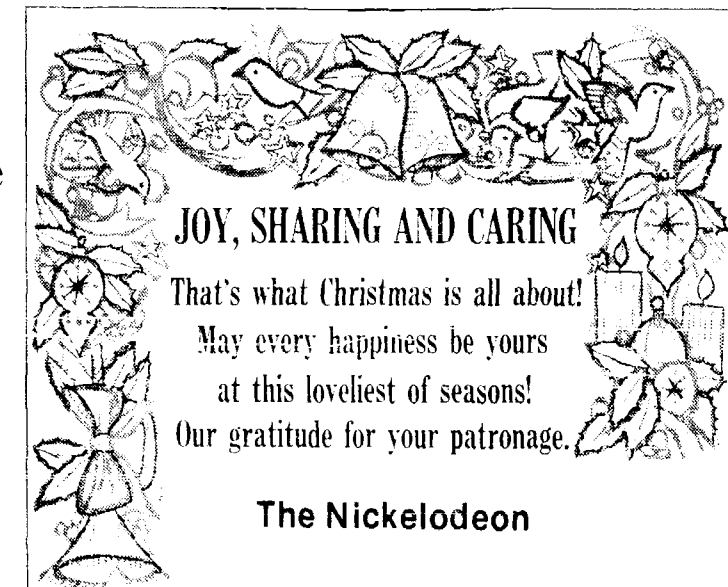
For an attractive edible centerpiece, frost fresh fruit and arrange in a wicker basket or shaped bowl. Beat egg whites with a fork in a deep bowl, dip apples, pears, grape clusters and oranges; sprinkle well with granulated sugar and let dry. Line container with plastic wrap and arrange frosted fruit, using toothpicks if necessary to hold them together.

Scoop out a pumpkin that is a comfortable size for your table setting. Put a bowl of water in the pumpkin and arrange bright fresh flowers in it.

**Christmas Seals
Fight Lung Disease**



Extensive medical research brings surer hope of treating and even preventing lung disease.



JOY, SHARING AND CARING

That's what Christmas is all about!

May every happiness be yours
at this loveliest of seasons!

Our gratitude for your patronage.

The Nickelodeon



Let there be **LOVE** at Christmas

Jansen's Plumbing

HAPPY HOLIDAY

Hearts soar in the crisp winter landscape reminding us of the glories of Nature and of Christmas. May all that brings meaning to this sacred celebration add to the special delight of your holiday.

**Whitey and Thelma
Madsen**

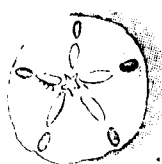
ONE PRAYER... ONE HOPE



**May the Peace and Happiness
of the Christmas Season
be yours forever more!
Our fervent thanks to all.**

Larry and Joan's Place
M-72 at Wakeley Bridge Road

Legend of the Sand Dollar



These strange and beautiful shells tell the story of Christ's suffering and His glory. The Easter Lily shape at the center of the sand

dollar represents the Star of Bethlehem which guided the shepherds from afar. The five holes represent the five wounds of Christ. On the back the Christmas Peinsettia, in outline, reminds us all of His birthday. Five Doves of Peace and Good Will appear when the shell is broken apart. This fascinating creature from the sea is referred to as The Holy Ghost Shell because of the legend attached to it.



Presents for Pets

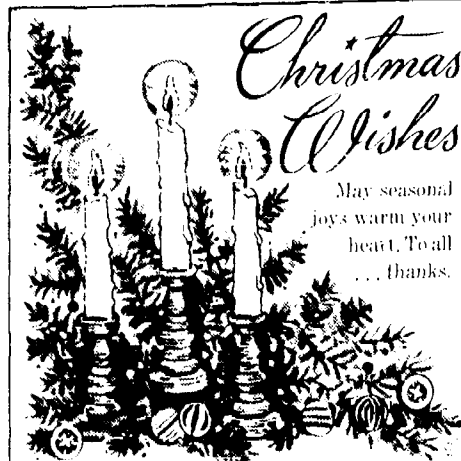
As part of the family your pet will share the excitement of opening presents on Christmas morn. You'll find an interesting assortment of gifts for cats, dogs, birds, what have you, at department stores, variety and pet shops.

A carpeted scratching post makes an ideal gift for Tabby and will save wear and tear on upholstered furniture. Catnip toys and other feline

treats come completely packaged in red Christmas stockings. Easy-to-clean litter boxes are readily available and there are odor absorbing litter chips to put in them.

Latex toys in a variety of shapes and sizes will keep Fido happy. A new item on the market is a ribbed vinyl ball that rolls about crazily, keeping your dog alert and happy. Assorted squeaky toys, rawhide chews, etc. come in bright holiday stockings. A new collar that is soft inside and non-irritating is always welcome, and while you're shopping, look at the many new grooming brushes that will help you keep your dog sleek and clean.

Art, meow, Merry Christmas!

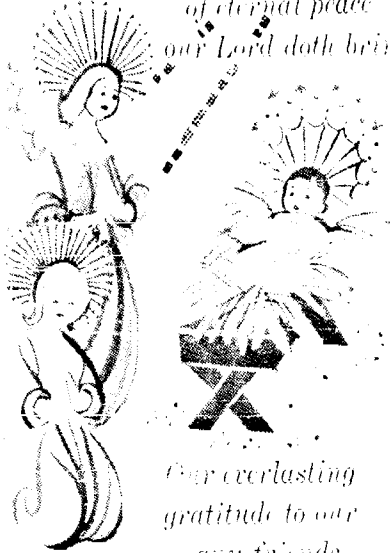


Skip's Sport Shop

Jay & Susan Stephan

HARK

*the Herald Angels sing
of eternal peace
our Lord doth bring.*



*Our everlasting
gratitude to our
many friends.*

To Our Many Friends and Customers.

Greetings & Best Wishes for a

Happy Holiday Season

**Jack & Betty's
Motor Lodge — Lovells**



With hearts full of wonder at the eternal beauties of Nature, we savour the magic of Christmas and its eternal meaning. In the holiday spirit of love and understanding, we wish all our friends joy and peace. It's a pleasure to know you!

The Fred Bear Museum And Bear Archery



WELL, WELL...It isn't time for Santa yet, but still the stocking is there and the kids will check periodically to see if, just by chance, Santa has shipped by to deposit some early surprise.

Bethlehem Star: One or Many?

The Star of Bethlehem was it really a star?

Through the centuries, there have been many explanations of the bright sign in the sky which led the Three Wise Men to the stable in Bethlehem where the Christ Child was born.

Some have called it an exploding star others have called it a meteor.

Some scholars have expressed the belief that it was not a star at all, that when the Wise Men said they followed a star, they were making reference to the guiding light of a personal experience.

Among the more popular explanations is that the Wise Men did not see one star, but several that appeared to come together in the heavens. Possibly they are now seen as the planets Jupiter, Saturn, Mars and Venus. Astronomers say that in 6 B.C. there was an apparent grouping of planets that happens only every 86 years—and this may have resulted in the brilliant "star" which started the Magi on their famous journey.

WHAT'S A TRADITION?

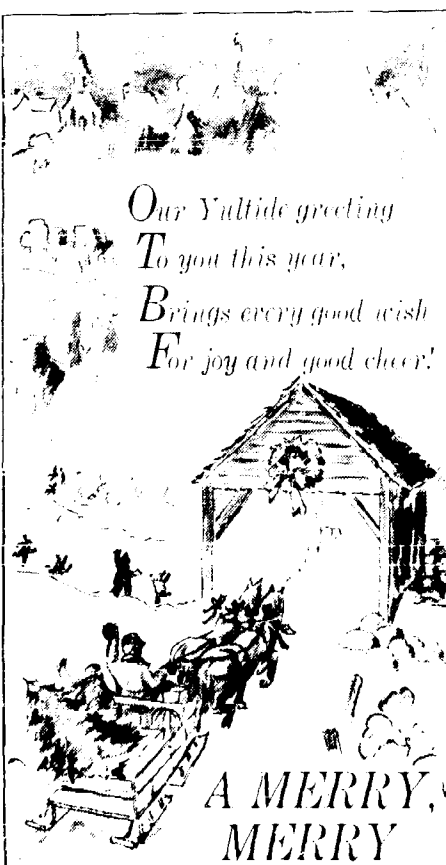
Simply, a tradition is a cherished custom families repeat year after year, and generation after generation...the happy memories you have and want to give to your children. That's why traditions bring families together at Christmas. Families can make meaningful traditions of little things.

Christmas Seal Spirit



Fighting lung disease is a cinch, says popular entertainer Ben Vereen. Practice good health habits and give to Christmas Seals. The actor-singer-dancer is spearheading the 71st annual campaign against lung disease, smoking and air pollution.

*It's a matter of
life and breath!*
**Give more to
Christmas Seals**



*Our Yuletide greeting
To you this year,
Brings every good wish
For joy and good cheer!*

**A MERRY,
MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO ALL.**

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